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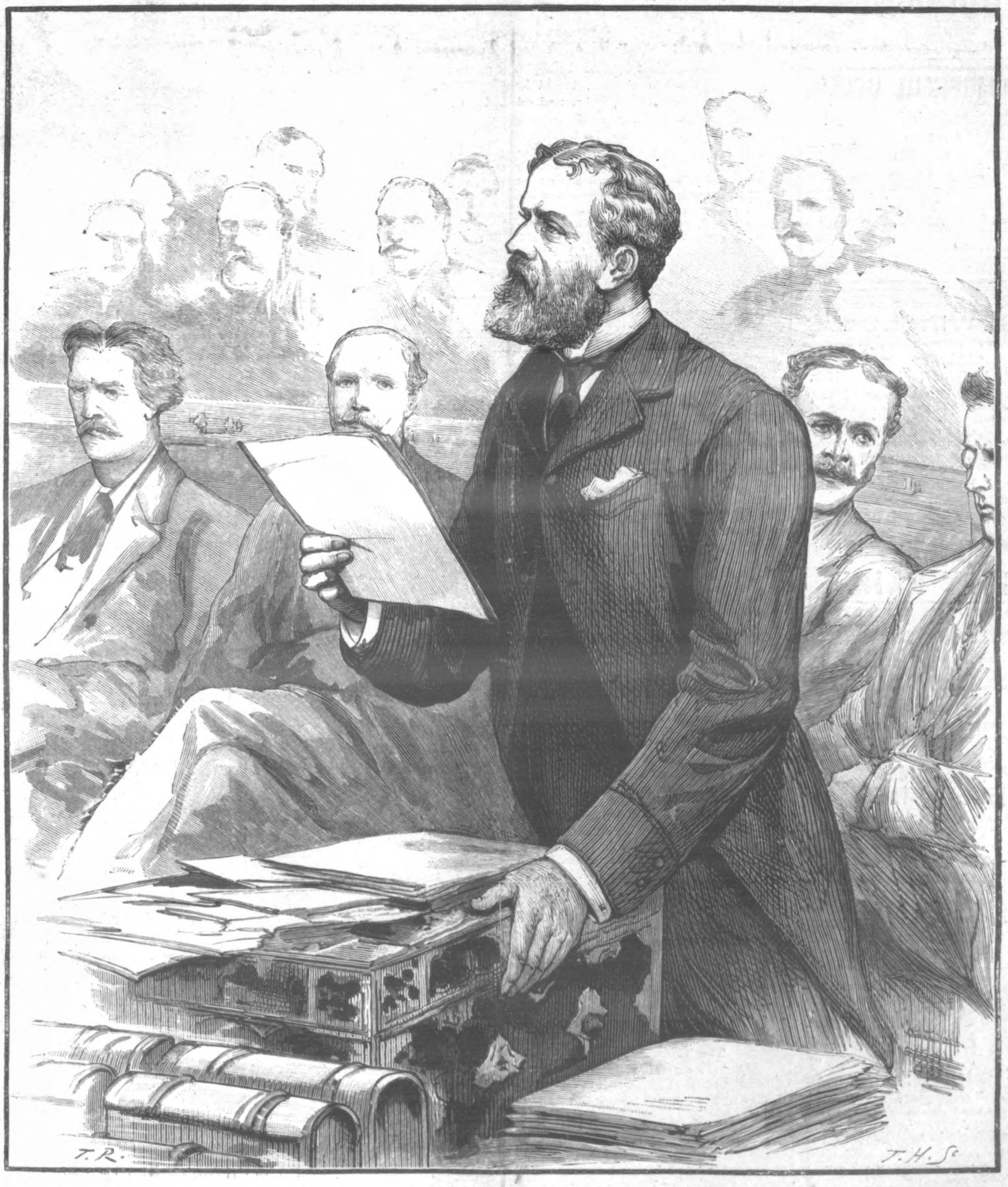

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Talk of London.

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THE PIPER.

THE "bad quarter of an hour of Rabelais" has arrived again. "We laugh and drink till the feast is o'er: the reck'ning comes: we laugh no more!" In other words, in comes His Majesty's Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks Beach, with his little bill; and his little bill, going far beyond the hundred millions of Gladstone's days, takes not only the cake, but a good proportion of the sugar also. Well, Englishmen are not wont to shirk their responsibilities. Kruger's truculent threat to drive the British in South Africa into the sea, backed by the invasion of the British Colonies, rendered it imperative to rehoist the Union Jack in Pretoria, where gallant Lord Roberts soon set flying again the red, white, and blue flag, under whose folds liberty, justice, and fair play are ever enjoyed. It is to make these essentials to happiness and contentment extend to the furthermost corners of the Transvaal and Orange River Colony that Lord Kitchener is continuing the War—with a renewed energy and with a strengthened Army which will, I sincerely believe, enable him to disperse the guerilla bands of Botha, De Wet, and De la Rey, and thus bring this sadly prolonged contest to an end at last. Meantime, our enhanced Imperial expenses are continuing at the fearful rate of millions a week, and this enormous cost has to be borne by British taxpayers.

Sir Michael Hicks Beach

has in the past proved himself a strict guardian of the national purse, and has come to be regarded as one of the few eminent Statesmen to whom the supreme responsibilities of the Prime Minister's office might be entrusted when the time comes (but distant may the day be!) for the Marquis of Salisbury to relieve himself of the cares and anxieties of the Premiership. Added to long years of honourable service in the House of Commons and a public life of spotless probity, Sir Michael Hicks Beach possesses that quality of personal firmness and decision of character indispensable in a Minister of the front rank. With regard to his Parliamentary style, the Chancellor of the Exchequer has the merit of being clear and straightforward in exposition—a signal advantage in one who has to unfold the national balance-sheet in such a way that those who run may read. Sir Michael comes of a good old West of England family, and is allied by marriage to a yet older West of England house—the Fortescues. He married a daughter of that estimable and kind-hearted Devonshire peer, Earl Fortescue. Sir Michael himself owns about 3800 acres of land in Gloucestershire, his country seat being Coln St. Aldwyn's, Fairford. He is the ninth Baronet. Born the year Queen Victoria succeeded William IV. (in 1837), he is sixty-four years of age. Educated at Eton and Christ Church, Oxford, he has considerable experience of Parliament. Whilst M.P. for East Gloucestershire he was Under-Secretary for the Home Department as far back as 1868. He was Chief Secretary for Ireland from 1874-78, and again in 1886-87. Secretary for the Colonies from 1878 to 1880, he became Chancellor of the Exchequer 1885-86; was President of the Board of Trade 1888-92, and, M.P. for West Bristol, he has filled the unenviable post of Chancellor of the Exchequer since 1895. Circumstances, which, be sure, he would have controlled had it been possible, have made it incumbent upon him to ask the country to pay heavier sums in the way of taxation than any man in his office has demanded before. Well, the Piper must be Paid!

The Victoria Memorial

is a subject of such great national interest that it is to be regretted prizes were not offered for designs from any native artists, architects, or sculptors who cared to compete. Some brilliant suggestions of a novel nature might then have been forthcoming from our budding geniuses, and the best might have been blended by the master hands into a harmonious, emblematical Memorial worthy our lamented Sovereign.

The Lord Mayor,

whilst welcoming subscriptions from all classes to this National Memorial of Queen Victoria, is not unmindful of that vast portion of London's population whose lamentably insufficient housing Lord Rowton and the Peabody trustees have vainly endeavoured to ameliorate to any great extent. His Lordship, in a timely letter to the Press on Tuesday, called public attention to the good done by the City Council on the Dwellings of the Poor since 1883, and earnestly asked for donations to the Mansion House Fund "to help in the redemption of London from its slums." The Lord Mayor supports his argument by a variety of quotations from the expressed opinions of the Marquis of Salisbury and the Earl of Rosebery, who pointedly asked: "What is an Empire unless it is pillared on an Imperial race, and what are you doing if you allow this Imperial race to be vitiated and poisoned in the dens of crime and horror in which too many of them are reared at this moment?"

The New Century

calls for the removal of the abominations left by the Old. It will not cry in vain if Lord Mayor Green's seasonable appeal is responded to with heartiness and promptitude, and if his Lordship will not content himself with collecting money, but will form a grand working Committee from the most active members of the Corporation and County Council, and from the body of earnest young Mayors called into being last autumn. Union is strength.

Shakspere Fashionable.

On the eve of Stratford-on-Avon's Shakspere celebration—when Mr. Benson is about to draw Shakspere enthusiasts to the Bard's birthplace playhouse by a first series of Shaksperean performances—it is pleasant to note how popular the works of our national dramatist are in London. Not only is the Town occupied in discussing the merits of the great Shaksperean revival of "Coriolanus," with all the grandeur of Old Rome, at the Lyceum by Sir Henry Irving—a production which adds lustre even to the history of that latterly unfortunate theatre; but Mr. H. Beerbohm Tree was beforehand in affording playgoers rare delight by his remarkably beautiful, tasteful, and glowing setting at Her Majesty's of one of Shakspere's sweetest love stories, and in selecting for the lovely part of Viola a graceful and pretty young actress to the very manner born in Miss Lily Brayton. Histrionically, musically, scenically, and from the point of view of costume, "Twelfth Night" is a perfect production. The radiant garden scene, imbued with soft, verdant beauty, where Malvolio meets with the discomfiture his vanity deserves, will linger long in the memory. Mr. Tree is entitled to our warmest gratitude for this delightful production of "Twelfth Night." Metal of a totally different kind, ringing with patriotic fervour, and abounding with British bravery, yet attended with similar popularity, Shakspere's "Henry V.," as splendidly enacted and presented by the powerful company headed by Mr. Lewis Waller and Mr. William Mollison, eminently deserves to draw the full houses it commands in the suburbs. The dignified elocution of Miss Lily Hanbury as Chorus; the penetrating declamation with which Mr. Waller evokes the enthusiasm of his soldiers and his audience alike; the humours of mine ancient Pistol, as rendered in broad Shaksperean style by Mr. Mollison; and the scenic grandeur and martial spirit of the whole, richly entitle this "Henry V." touring company to the large

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MR. H. BEERBOHM TREE,
WHOSE "TWELFTH NIGHT" REVIVAL IS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL PRODUCTION IN LONDON.

measure of success it legitimately obtained both last week at the handsome new Camden Theatre, and this week at the elegant Borough Theatre, Stratford-atte-Bowe.

Sir Henry Irving's Artistic Production of "Coriolanus" at the Lyceum

last Monday night was made the occasion of the customary transcendently enthusiastic welcome to the great Actor-Manager familiar to first-nighters at this house. Never were the friendly demonstrations better deserved. A score of years ago Sir Henry Irving thought of reviving "Coriolanus," and he then prevailed upon his friend Sir L. Alma-Tadema, R.A., to furnish sketches which would enable him to recall Old Rome in all its marble grandeur. These drawings have served Hawes Craven and his scenic colleagues to good purpose in the magnificent and moving setting of "Coriolanus," which Sir Henry Irving has been labouring at with habitual devotion for several weeks back, taxing his energies to such an extent that the wonder was he had strength left to speak the lines of the wayward Roman leader on the *première*. Rich reward for his immense toil he enjoyed, however, in what was undoubtedly a sincere and affectionate greeting to a tried public favourite, the head of his profession, the great thinker who has presented us with the finest Hamlet, truest Louis XI., most human Shylock of our times, to enumerate but a very few of his masterpieces, and has endowed each play that has graced the Lyceum boards with such a wealth of costume and scenic beauty and musical illustration as to win ungrudging gratitude from the community. See

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SIR HENRY IRVING,
WHOSE MAGNIFICENT PRODUCTION OF "CORIOLANUS" IS THE TALK OF THE TOWN.

him by all means in "Coriolanus." Life is not all beer and skittles and "Fortune-Teller." This superb realisation of Old Rome gives pleasure to the thoughtful. The teeming life of the "Eternal City," B.C. 490, is brought across the footlights with a realism and splendour Shakspere surely never dreamt of. Hearing without sympathising with the speeches of Coriolanus, listening to the harangues of Menenius Agrippa (boldly embodied by Mr. J. H. Barnes), drinking in with renewed pleasure the honeyed accents of Miss Ellen Terry (incomparably grand as Volumnia), changing with the scene from Forum to Camp, from street to Capitol, and so on to the impressive tableau of Coriolanus's death—one cannot but be astounded and at the same time be filled with admiration to know that so much can be accomplished in the usual three hours' traffic of the stage. While Miss Terry touched all hearts in her great scene as Volumnia, a fair meed of praise should be also offered Miss Mabel Hackney for her acting as Virgilia, the wife of Coriolanus; to Miss Maud Milton as Valeria, and to the other principals, including Mr. Tyars as Cominius, and Mr. Laurence Irving as Junius Brutus. The groups of citizens moved like human beings, and were, indeed, organised in most masterly fashion by Mr. H. J. Loveday, the hard-working and conscientious stage-manager who has served Sir Henry Irving so long and so faithfully. The music composed by Sir Alexander Mackenzie adds to the charm of this wonderfully magnificent representation of "Coriolanus," which must have cost a mint of money to mount.

"Coriolanus"

used to be one of the regular stock plays in what was called "the palmy days of the drama." Kemble played in it with Mrs. Siddons as Volumnia; Macready with Mrs. Warner. Edmund Kean, Charles Dillon, and Samuel Phelps also appeared in the character now played by Sir Henry Irving. The Benson Company likewise performed "Coriolanus" for something like ten years.

Mr. Tree's May Matinee.

Charity matinées are generally dull, because they are made up of entertainments quite familiar to playgoers. But on May 2 Mr. Tree, for the benefit of the Prince of Wales's Hospital Fund, will produced at Her Majesty's Theatre two plays by Robert Louis Stevenson and W. E. Henley. One of them, "Beau Austin," was performed eleven years ago at the Haymarket, with Mr. and Mrs. Tree, Mr. Fred Terry, Mr. H. Kemble, and the late Miss Rose Leclercq in the cast. The latter part will on this occasion be taken by Miss Carlotta Addison.

Mr. Tree Will Find in "Macaire,"

the other piece chosen for the matinée, a character as well suited to his genius as Malvolio; and Mr. James Welch as Bertrand, the Jacques Strop of other versions, can hardly fail to be extremely comic. Mr. Lionel Brough, Miss Lily Brayton, and Miss Zeffie Tilbury will take part in the performance, which is likely to prove unusually interesting.

"Lion Hunters"

was not, perhaps, quite the appropriate title for an English version of Pailleron's famous French satirical comedy, "Le Monde où l'on s'Ennuie"; but it goes surprisingly well at Terry's Theatre, where Miss Nina Boucicault reveals a capacity for comedy acting such as

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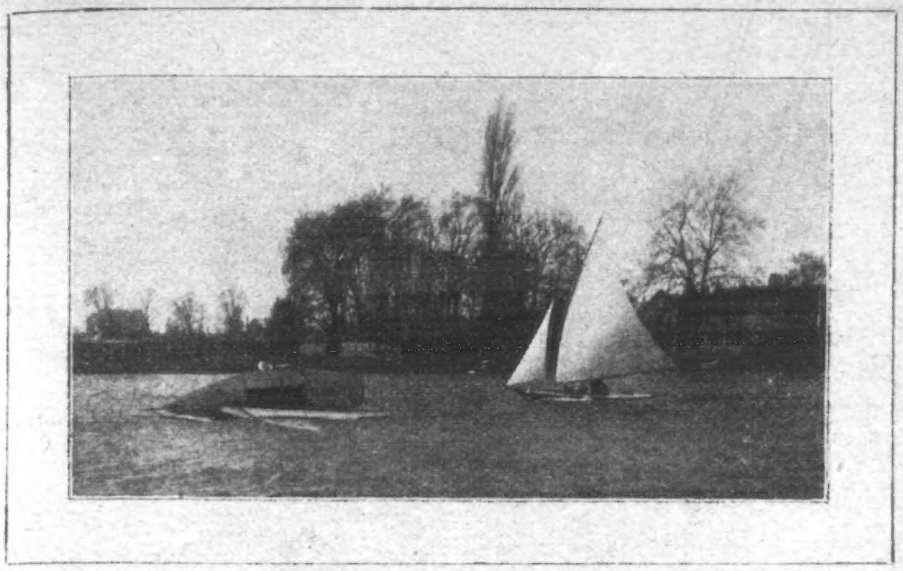


Mr. C. P. Gosnell's "Yvonne" (capsized). Mr. J. F. Storey's "Latona."

TAMESIS SAILING CLUB MATCH ON THE THAMES.

See "The World of Pastime."

few of her admirers had suspected. Miss Boucicault has made a wonderful advance as an actress. But all round the play is remarkably well acted. Miss Susie Vaughan makes an ideal Duchesse; and Mr. H. B. Irving well sustains the honour of a great name as De Bellac, whose quaint humour is so attractive. Mr. Mackay, Miss Sergeantson, and Miss Helen Macbeth are also excellent.

"The Girl from Up There,"

at the Duke of York's next week, will be found as curious in plot as in title. Fancy a heroine frozen up for three centuries in Polar icebergs suddenly set free by a Yankee inventor with an electric flash which thaws the frozen palace of the heroine. Her chilly residence is discovered by a buccaneering party, who take the maiden, Olga (or Edna May) by name, to Paris, of all places. There is a mysterious golden cup of Olaf, from which Olga must drink, or she will only survive ninety days. Happily, the cup is in Paris, and Olga is saved and united to her lover, a part played by Mr. Farren Soutar, son of Nellie Farren, long of the Gaiety. "The Girl from Up There" can scarcely fail to attract, with sweet Edna May (so popular as "The Belle of New York") in the principal part.

Mr. Gerald Du Maurier,

popular as an actor, and as the son of a famous artist and the author of "Trilby," is about to try his fortune as a dramatist. He has written a new version of "Don Cæsar de Bazan." Mr. Du Maurier calls his play "The King's Rival." It is to be produced at the Coronet Theatre on May 20. The author will appear in the play, assisted by Mr. Lewis Waller, Mr. Mollison, and Miss Lily Hanbury. Vincent Wallace's popular opera, "Maritana," is founded on the same story.

The Royal Italian Opera

at Covent Garden will reopen for the season on May 13 with Gounod's "Roméo et Juliette," M. Saleza and Madame Eames, the delightful American vocalist, representing the lovers. The band and chorus will be on the usual scale, and the extensive alterations of the stage are expected to prove wonderfully effective. The popularity of

Gounod's "Romeo et Juliette"

is mainly due to the late Sir Augustus Harris. When first produced in Covent Garden, even with Mario and Patti in the chief characters, it failed to please, but Sir Augustus believed in its drawing power, and every year it is performed successfully. Before the National Anthem is played on the opening night a novelty will be seen. It is a fireproof iron curtain, used in deference to the wishes of some Royal and aristocratic opera-goers, who last season were a little scared by a sudden alarm of fire on the stage. The new curtain will completely shut off the stage from the auditorium, which has been brightly redecorated.

Mr. Arthur Collins's Marriage.

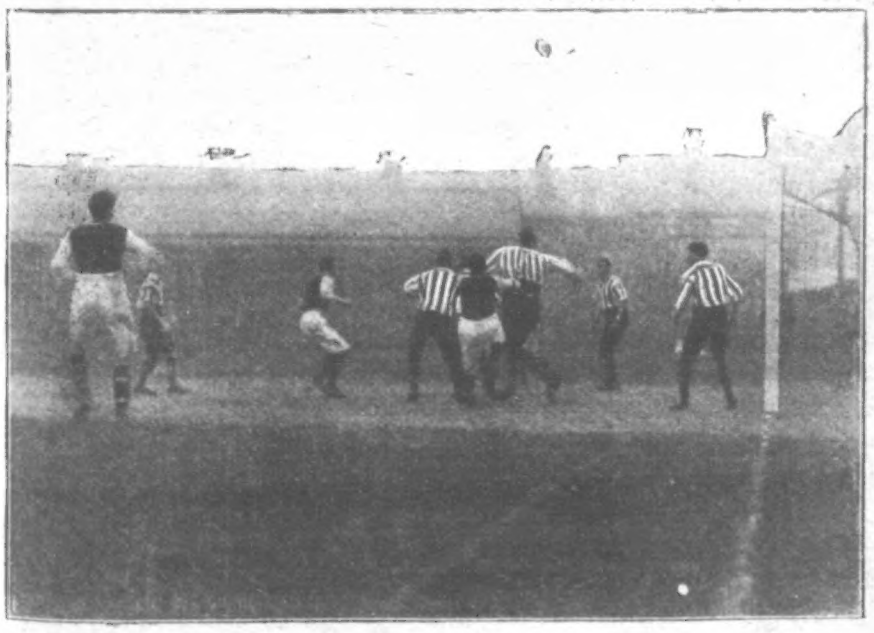
The popular Managing Director of Drury Lane, Mr. Arthur Collins, must be congratulated on his marriage to an American lady, Miss Huth, who has a large circle of admirers in her native land. Mrs. Arthur Collins is said to be accomplished and beautiful. As the wife of so popular and estimable a manager, she is certain to have a hearty welcome in this country, apart from her own claims. We wish all happiness to the newly married pair, and so will thousands of others.

Mr. Edgar Bruce's Death

was heard of with genuine regret, for he was a genial, gentlemanly actor. The stage had not known him of late, for he made a good income as playhouse proprietor. Making money first at the old Prince of Wales's (scene of the Bancrofts' Robertsonian triumphs) through the marked success of "The Colonel," by Mr. F. C. Burnand, Mr. Bruce became prominently concerned in the erection of the block of buildings comprising the New Lyric Club and the present Prince of Wales's Theatre, from the leasing of which latter place of entertainment he derived much profit. It was characteristic of the good nature of King Edward, who never forgets a service rendered, that His Majesty sent a magnificent wreath as a tribute to the memory of Mr. Bruce, who superintended several dramatic performances before the Court, and whose funeral took place at Kensal Green last Saturday.

The Wedding of the Marquis of Headfort and Miss Rosie Boote,

on Thursday week, was a very quiet affair, but the ceremony could not be hidden from the lynx eyes of the *Daily Telegraph*. According to its Folkestone Correspondent, the marriage took place in the Registry Office of the village of Saltwood, about five miles from the popular watering-place. "The bridegroom describes himself as 'Fourth Marquis of Headfort, peer of the realm, son of Thomas Taylour, third Marquis of Headfort (deceased),' and the bride in the column for 'rank or profession' leaves the space blank. Her father's name is put down as Charles Boote (deceased, of no occupation)." In the meantime the favourite song (with dance) of "Maisie Gets Right There," which Miss Boote brought into vogue, is being sung with similar success by another comely songstress in "The Messenger Boy." THE PROMPTER.



THE SEMI-FINAL FOR THE ASSOCIATION CUP: SHEFFIELD UNITED v. ASTON VILLA, AT DERBY, ON APRIL 11. ASTON VILLA TAKING A CORNER KICK.

See "The World of Pastime."

"P.I.P." SMILES.

The Scholars in a certain school were asked to write a sentence introducing the word "chaste." Little Johnny wrote: "General De Wet is the most chaste man that ever lived."

After a Girl has employed all her arts in landing a husband, it gratifies her to read in the papers that she was "led to the altar."

"I Never Saw a More Perfect Fit than that dress, Miss Flashley." "I did, when papa got the bill for it."

He: "She looks nice enough to eat." She (severely): "Yes; plain food has its charms for some people."

Bob: "I want to know, once for all, who is master of this house?" Peggy: "You'll be happier if you don't find out."

Clara: "If you don't love him why should you accept his attentions?" Maud: "Well, you know, some other girl might."

"Come, Old Man, tell us where you got the courage to propose to your wife." "They told me she had taken a vow never to marry."

A Lawyer sent to a client a bill containing the following item: "For waking up in the night to think over your case, 6s. 8d."

She: "Woman's work is never done." He: "Why don't you do it, then, and stop talking about it?"

Mr. Sydney Buxton tells an amusing story of the Imperial spirit of a certain South Sea Islander. He was expounding the greatness of the British Empire, when somebody said, "But you haven't a drop of English blood in your veins." "I have," he said proudly; "my grandfather helped to eat Captain Cook!"

A Fitting Name.—She: "This summer-house has been the scene of three engagements." He: "Sort of a match-box, eh?"

Charles: "Did the tailor take your measure?" Algy: "I guess he did. He said I'd have to pay in advance."

Small Spokesman: "Many happy returns of the day, grandpa; and mamma says if you give us each a shilling we mustn't lose it."

"Was My Present a Surprise to your sister, Johnny?" "You bet! She said she never suspected you'd give her anything so cheap."

Farmer Haystack (who has discovered Mose Mokeby in his chicken-coop): "Why in tarnation dew yew niggers persist in stealin' hens?" Mose Mokeby: "Well, Sah, as we has de repertation, we might jus' as well live up ter it."

Little Boy (who has been chased out of the farmyard by a turkey): "All right! Just you wait till Christmas and I'll knock the stuffing out of you!"

Mistress (in registry office, to prospective servant): "Can you cook?" Prospective Servant: "Niver mind that just yit. Where do yez live, an' what wages wud yez pay?"

Judge: "Have you anything to say before the sentence is passed?" Burglar: "Yes'r; if I'd a-know'd that spinster lady had a dinner-bell under 'er pillar, things 'd come out diff'r'nt."

"What a Fine Head your boy has!" said an admiring friend. "Yes," replied the fond father, "he's a chip of the old block—ain't you, my boy?" "Yes, father; teacher said yesterday that I was a young blockhead."

Curate: "Love, of course, is the fulfilling of the law." Miss Holden (rapturously): "Oh, the beauty, the joy, the splendour of having something to love!" Curate (becoming alarmed): "Bless my soul, Ma'am, try cats."

Just Like Her!—She: "And to think you have forgotten that this is the anniversary of our wedding-day." He: "Why, you must be mistaken. We were married on the 12th." She: "Oh! I beg pardon. I was thinking of my first marriage."

Miss Singleton: "But tell me, dear, does a man get really angry every time he comes home and finds dinner isn't ready?" Mrs. Benedick (sweetly): "Yes; just about as angry as a woman gets every time she has it ready and he doesn't come home."

"I'm Looking for something really nice for a young man," said a young and pretty shopper. "Why don't you look in the mirror?" asked the gallant shopman.

Tommy (inquiringly): "Mamma, is that hair-oil in this bottle?" Mamma: "No. That's gum." Tommy (nonchalantly): "I expect that is why I can't get my hat off."

She (slyly): "How is it—er—Josef, that you have never thought seriously of getting married?" He: "I have always thought seriously of it—that's why I'm a bachelor."

Customer (hesitatingly): "I suppose—er—you have some—er—suitable books for a man—er—about to be married." Bookseller: "Certainly, Sir. Here, John, show this gentleman some of our account-books—largest size."

Artie: "Darling, you have no idea how anxious I was while you were coming down the rope ladder. I was so afraid you had not fastened it securely above." Susie: "You needn't have been alarmed. Papa tied the knot for me."

A Very Stout Lady got into an omnibus and overheard the grumbling remark of a man there: "Omnibuses were not made for elephants." "Sir," she replied, "omnibuses are like Noah's Ark—intended to carry all kinds of beasts."

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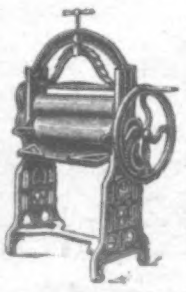

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HOW THE WORLD WAGS.

THE KING last Saturday morning received in audience the Governor and Military Knights of Windsor, who presented a loyal address. At half-past ten at night His Majesty, who was accompanied by Princess Victoria, left Windsor for London, arriving at Marlborough House between eleven and twelve.

His Majesty on Monday morning received General von Moltke and Oberlieutenant von Usedom, who exhibited to His Majesty the field-service equipment in use in the German Army. Both officers were presented by the King with decorations of the Victorian Order. Earl Roberts was present at the display, and afterwards remained for some time in conversation with His Majesty.

Queen Alexandra, who has been visiting her aged father, the King of Denmark, returned to London last Monday afternoon, after an absence of twenty-two days. It may be described as the first home-coming of the Sovereign Lady, and Londoners assembled in thousands at Victoria Station and Marlborough House to accord her an especially enthusiastic welcome.

Windsor has decided to have a memorial of its own to Queen Victoria, and at a meeting on Saturday a committee was appointed to receive suggestions as to the form it should take, and prepare a report on the subject.

The Dowager Duchess of Manchester's Fortune.—The *Telegraph's* New York Correspondent says the Dowager Duchess of Manchester, who has been left sole heiress to her brother's fortune, confirms the report that she intends to share the money with her mother and two sisters. The estate bequeathed is now believed to exceed three million dollars. Nothing is known with regard to the Duchess's intentions concerning the Duke of Manchester, but as he is her only remaining child it is thought he will share in the estate.

Lord Salisbury at Beaulieu.—The recent indisposition of the Prime Minister caused anxiety alike to political friends and foes, and it is hoped that his stay

THE RIVIERA SEAT OF LORD SALISBURY.

abroad will be the means of permanently restoring his health. There are few prettier spots to be found along the whole of the Riviera than Beaulieu. It is but a small place—a mere village, yet it is slowly but surely increasing in importance. The up-to-date hostelries are all well patronised, and the villas of which it can boast are readily let. The vegetation of Beaulieu is so luxuriant and tropical in appearance that it is often known by the name of "Little Africa." Beside the charm of its climate and its situation, it has the additional advantage of being midway between Monte Carlo and Nice. The Marquis of Salisbury's house is not a large establishment, but it is an ideal retreat for the busy statesman. There is a rumour to the effect that King Edward has negotiated with Lord Salisbury for the purchase of his estate at Beaulieu.

A Royal Gift.—Mr. Thomas Tunstall, late locomotive foreman of the Great Western Railway, Newton Abbot, Devon, who is seventy-seven years of age, and now lives in retirement in Cornwall, has received a gracious message from the King and a souvenir of the late Queen in the form of a pin with the letters "V.R.I." surmounted by a crown set in diamonds and rubies. It had been represented to His Majesty that Mr. Tunstall in 1859 piloted the train from Plymouth to London in which the late Queen travelled, and drove the Royal train over the Royal Albert Bridge when the Prince Consort opened it, and also drove His Majesty when a lad from Plymouth to Exeter.

The Victoria Memorial.—A storm of protest has been raised against the decision of the Executive Committee entrusted with the responsible and extremely delicate and difficult task of arranging the details of the National Memorial to our late beloved Queen. As everybody knows, the Committee decided to ask Mr. Thomas Brock, R.A., to prepare a design for the group or groups of sculpture, including a statue of Queen Victoria, which will be placed opposite the entrance gates to Buckingham Palace. They also agreed to invite five distinguished architects, representative of England, Scotland, and Ireland—Sir Thomas Drew, of Dublin, President of the Royal Hibernian Academy; Mr. T. G. Jackson, R.A.; Mr. Aston Webb, A.R.A.; Mr. Ernest George, F.R.I.B.A., and Dr. Rowland Anderson, R.S.A. (Scotland)—to prepare designs for the treatment of the western end of the Mall, where the group or groups are to be placed, and for a general scheme, should funds allow, to include an architectural entrance at the Spring Gardens end of the Mall, with groups of sculpture at intervals, the whole forming a dignified and architecturally designed processional road. It is important to remember that by the time the idea now in the stage of inception reaches the point of complete realisation, the Mall, which is even now a very fine drive, will have been widened throughout its length, and thrown open to Charing Cross, debouching into Trafalgar Square in a line with the top of Northumberland Avenue. Some of those who quarrelled with the site selected for the Memorial asserted that Buckingham Palace was built on a bog, and that the late Queen detested her London residence. But this objection does not find many supporters, for in the opinion of most people, the site is the best that could possibly have been chosen.

MR. T. BROCK, R.A.,
The Sculptor Selected for the Statue of Queen Victoria.

Generous Gifts.—The following contributions have been made towards the Queen Victoria Memorial Fund in India: The Rajah of Pudukattai, 10,000 rupees; the Rajah of Rajpipla, 5000 rupees; and the Rajahs of Kallikotta, Atagada, and Ganjam, and the Peninsular and Oriental Steamship Company have contributed 3000 rupees each.

The Marquis of Exeter's Marriage.—The marriage of the Marquis of Exeter with Lord Bolton's only daughter, the Hon. Myra Orde-Powlett, was solemnised at Wensley Church, Leyburn, Yorkshire, at noon on Tuesday. The ceremony was conducted by the Lord Bishop of Ripon, assisted by the Rev. E. Orde-Powlett, M.A., Rector of Wensley (cousin of the bride), the Rev. F. Davenport, M.A., Vicar of St. Martin's, Stamford, and the Rev. J. Scott-Ramsay, M.A., Vicar of Great Casterton. Lord Bolton gave his daughter away, and Sir George Whichcote (cousin of the bridegroom) was best man.

V.C. Hero's Return.—The little Kentish town of Bexley was gay with flags and triumphal arches last Saturday to welcome home Major Phipps-Hornby, who won the V.C. at Sanna's Post, and has lately been appointed A.D.C. to Lord Roberts.

At Sanna's Post the Major commanded Q Battery, R.H.A., which distinguished itself by rescuing another battery from overwhelming odds. All Q Battery should have had V.C.'s, but this being impossible they were given four, and selected the wearers themselves, the Major being one.

The Major, on being presented with an illuminated address, made a soldierly reply: "I did nothing that any other son of the Empire would not have done, but I had the luck to command Q Battery. Every man was a hero—and you'd have said so if you'd seen them." A team of helmeted firemen drew the hero's carriage to Blendon Hall, the home of Mrs. Phipps-Hornby, and a withering fire of cheers and addresses was kept up the whole way.

The Toulon Fetes.—The President of the French Republic last week exchanged cordial greetings with distinguished naval representatives of Italy and Russia. Arriving at Nicé on Monday, April 8, M. Loubet laid a wreath on the tomb of Gambetta, and in the evening entertained at dinner the commander of the Russian squadron, Admiral Birilkff.

M. Delcasse and other Ministers accompanied the President on board the Russian flag-ship, *Alexander II.*, on Wednesday, the 10th. M. Loubet conferred decorations on the Admiral and his two chief officers, and then embarked on the French war-ship, *Saint Louis*, which bore him in triumph to Toulon. There he was received by the Duke of Genoa, commanding the Italian Fleet. In the evening the President entertained the Duke and a distinguished company at dinner.

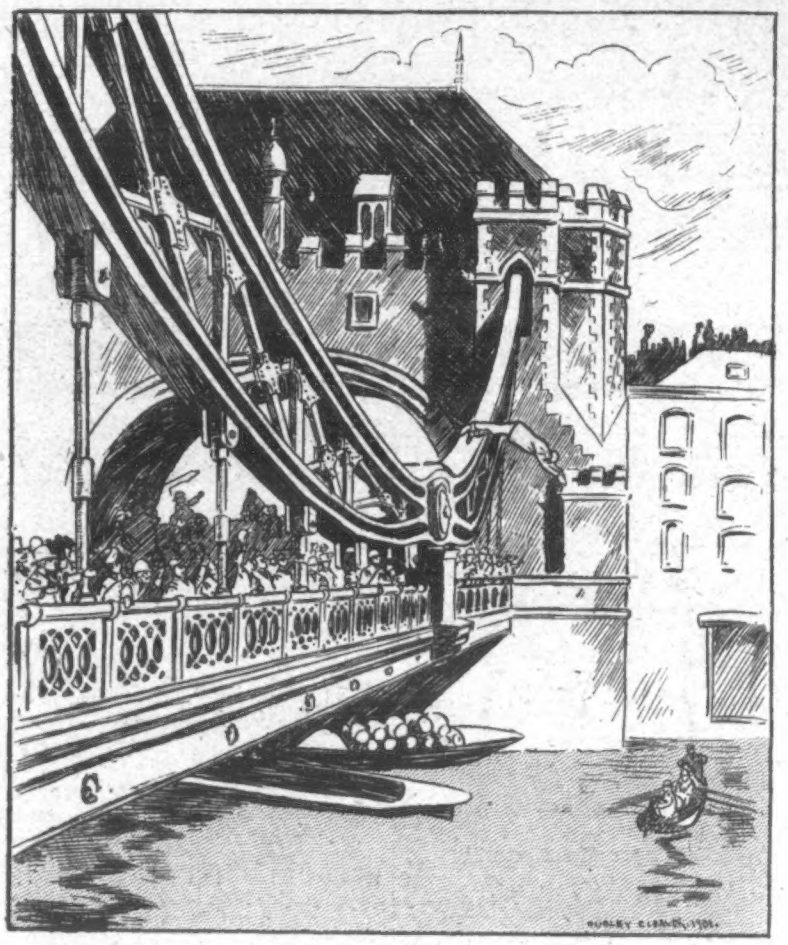
The President on the 11th, amid the thunder of a salute from all the war-ships in the roadstead, went on board the *Lepanto*, the Italian flag-ship, where the Duke of Genoa gave a luncheon in his honour. During the afternoon, at Toulon, M. Loubet went on board a submarine boat with the Minister of Marine, and witnessed some experiments. Half an hour before midnight President Loubet left Toulon for Montélimar, where he stayed for a few days.

The Duke of Genoa.—A prominent personage on the occasion of the recent visit to France of the Italian fleet was the Duke of Genoa. The Duke is a member of Italy's Royal House, and holds the title of Prince Tommaso of Savoy. On the sunny side of fifty, he is one of the most popular of Italian sailors. He is a Vice-Admiral, and may one day rise to the highest post in the navy. Prince Tommaso's father died a day or two after his son's first birthday. He is a cousin of the young King Victor Emanuel, and has a State allowance equivalent to about £16,000 a year. The Duke knows England well, having been educated at Harrow. He has travelled round the world in command of an Italian man-of-war. Prince Tommaso married at twenty-nine, his bride being Princess Isabella, daughter of the late Prince Adalbert of Bavaria, and he has a son, whom he has named Ferdinand, after his own father.

Naval Review at Malta.—A naval review was held on the racecourse on Monday in splendid weather by Vice-Admiral Sir John Fisher. Eleven thousand four hundred and fifty men, including Bluejackets and Royal Marines, the whole under the command of Lord Charles Beresford, were landed from the Mediterranean Squadron. The men were closely inspected by the Earl of Selborne, First Lord of the Admiralty, who was accompanied by Sir John Fisher and General Sir Francis Grenfell. After the inspection the men marched past in splendid style. Lord Selborne was greatly pleased with the smartness of all the men who took part in the parade, which was witnessed by an immense number of spectators, among whom were the Lords of the Admiralty, Major-General Lord Congleton, and his Staff, Lord Rosebery, a number of military officers, civilians, and others. Eighteen guns were landed for the occasion.

The Mad Mullah.—According to a telegram from Aden, the Mad Mullah, who has already a force of 8000 followers with him, is collecting horsemen for an attack on the post of Burao. It is said that the garrison is quite competent to hold its own with him. Colonel Swayne is completing his dispositions as rapidly as possible, and it is hoped that all will be ready for a general advance by May 9.

Sir Edward Watkin, Bart., the great director of railways, died on Saturday night at Rose Hill, Northenden, Cheshire, in his eighty-second year. The late Baronet had a great career. Born at Higher Broughton, Manchester, in 1819, while yet a young man he was appointed secretary to the Trent Valley Railway. This was quickly followed by the general managership of the Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire. Successively he became president of the Grand Trunk Railway of Canada—a position he subsequently relinquished; chairman of the South-Eastern, the Metropolitan, and the East London Railways. While in Canada he conducted the earlier negotiations among the five British North American provinces which contributed largely to the final union of those portions of the British Empire in a Dominion which covers a greater area than that of the United States. His work in this sphere brought a knighthood in 1868.



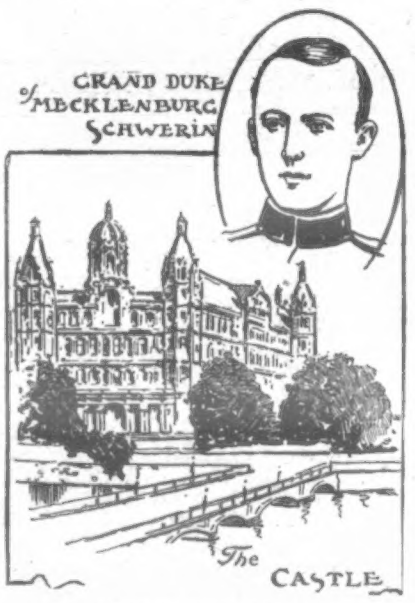
FINNEY'S DIVE FROM THE TOWER BRIDGE ON APRIL 11.

Dive from the Tower Bridge.—The police in charge of the Tower Bridge on the afternoon of April 11 were puzzled to account for the unusually large number of people who were on the structure. As it chanced about high water, the bascules had to be frequently opened, and this gave an opportunity for something approaching a crowd to gather on the side looking upstream. There was a man was that Mr. W. Finney, who describes himself as a champion diver, had arranged to jump from the footway of the bridge some time between five and six o'clock. The precautions taken by Mr. Finney's friends gave the police a hint of what was going on, and the diver was not permitted to go to the top of the footway, as he originally proposed. Instead, he jumped into the river from about a third up one of the chains on the south side. The height was approaching 80ft., and the feat was performed in perfect safety. The height of the dive does not approach that of Ben Fuller, who was killed some years ago in diving from the Tower Bridge.

"The Mandarin," at Islington.—The story of the siege of the Legations at Peking has been vividly brought before the public at the Grand Theatre, Islington, this week. The authors, Miss Alicia Ramsey and Mr. Rudolph de Cordova, are careful to disclaim any personal or political significance for their characters. Wa Tung Kiang, a crafty Chinese Viceroy, out of his hatred of the "foreign devils" stirs up the populace of Shenshee to attack the British Legation. One of his objects is also to seize the daughter of the British Ambassador, and despite the gallantry of her lover, he is finally foiled only by the self-sacrifice of his most trusted associate—the title character. This Mandarin is not a Chinaman by birth, but by adoption: only the sufferings of the lovers and the fearless devotion with which they face peril awaken all the long-buried Englishman in him, so that he gives his life to win their safety and happiness. In the title-part, Mr. C. Fulton plays like the safe, reliable actor he is, never forcing the part, and so making all the greater use of his principal opportunity. Mr. de Cordova cleverly depicted the callous treachery and frenzied malice of the Viceroy; and the overconfidence of the British Ambassador was well portrayed by Mr. C. M. York.

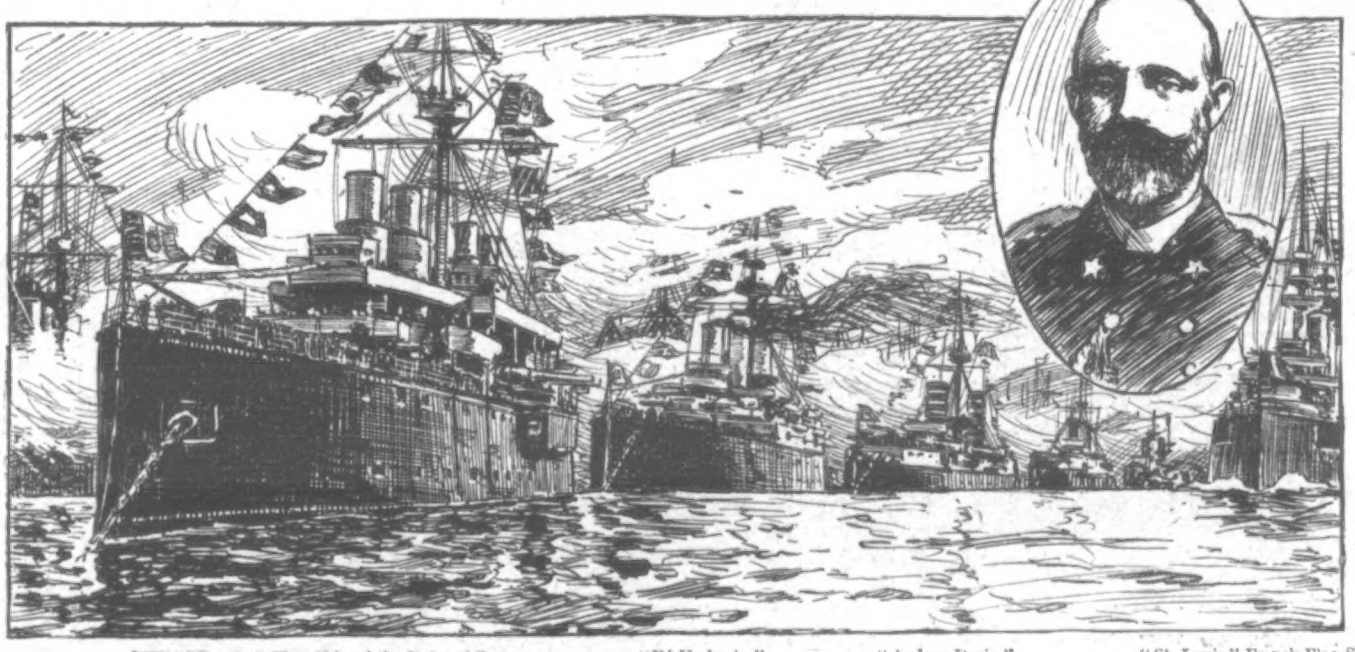
Miss Dorothea Baird played with sympathy and charm; the impetuous bravery of the lover being excellently depicted by Mr. H. B. Stanford. The lighter passages were pleasantly touched in by Mr. Yorke Stephens and Mr. E. Lawford—the former as a Yankee journalist; and Miss Phil Morris played a small part interestingly and intelligently. Notably good was Miss Helen Bancroft. Through the five acts the interest of an ably constructed story is well maintained, and it is to be hoped that further opportunities will be given to the drama-loving public of witnessing this thrilling play.

The Grand Duke of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, who celebrated his eighteenth birthday the other day, when he entered upon the government of his dominions, is the head of one of the richest, most powerful, and most ancient of the sovereign families of Germany. The family relations



between Schwerin and the Courts of Berlin and St. Petersburg have always been most intimate. The young Grand Duke is a grandson of the Grand Duke Michael Nicolaievitch of Russia, and his aunt is married to the Grand Duke Vladimir Alexandrovitch. His elder sister was married two years ago to Prince Christian of Denmark, eldest son

THE DUKE OF GENOA.



FRIENDLY VISIT OF THE DUKE OF GENOA AND THE ITALIAN FLEET TO TOULON.

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of the Crown Prince; and it is generally expected that his younger sister will shortly be betrothed to the Hereditary Grand Duke Michael of Russia.

The Palace of the Grand Duke of Schwerin (depicted in our sketch) is situated on an island between the Schweriner See and the Burgsee, and connected with the town on two sides by bridges. The building is extensive, and has irregular wings flanked by lofty towers, the whole enclosing a pentagonal courtyard. As early as the twelfth century a palace of the Dukes of Mecklenburg occupied this site. It was rebuilt in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries, and parts have been cleverly incorporated with the modern palace. On the occasion of the coming-of-age festivities a grand reception was held at the castle.

Alfonso XIII., King of Spain.—On May 17 the youthful King of Spain attains his eighteenth year—

and his majority. Among the Sovereigns of Europe, and indeed among the world's rulers, he holds a unique position, for he was King on the day of his birth. When, next month, he sits on the throne of his ancestors, he will have the responsibilities resting upon him of a kingdom from which war has taken some of its once great possessions. Delicate in physique, there were at one period of his history doubts whether little Alfonso—"Alfonsito," as the Queen-Regent, his mother, affectionately designated him—would grow up.

"Time, the Mighty Healer," has wrought a wondrous change in the health of the young Sovereign, and Spain reasonably looks with pride on the future of its King. For the cares of State His Majesty has been well educated, for on not a few occasions has he accompanied his mother to the audiences she has held. The expression of his face indicates the serious bent of his mind and the sense of duty which he owes to his country. The King has undeniably a heavy task to face ere the nation is at peace with itself. General Weyler is one of Spain's strong men, and, as the determining factor in the army, is the master of the position. He is a non-talker, but a diligent worker, and it is to this well-tried officer that the young ruler must look for discreet guidance at what is doubtless a critical juncture.

Captain Fitzalan Manners, Scots Guards, who sailed for South Africa on March 2 for special service in the Mounted Infantry, died at sea of enteric March 15. He was gazetted Major on Friday week.

Boer Prisoners in Ceylon.—Mr. Maxwell, of the *Standard*, has paid a visit to the Boer prisoners at Diyatalawa, where, he writes, 4300 prisoners are comfortably housed, under conditions which afford a marked contrast to the prisoner-laagers in the Transvaal. They are well fed, and live practically at liberty, in one large village. The place is healthy, and none of the hundred cases of sickness reported are serious. The prisoners spend much of their time in their devotions.

Transvaal "Seat of Government."—The present seat of Government of the Transvaal is, a Reuter's special message from Pietersburg says, at Totesburg, west of Middelburg, where Mr. Schalk Burger has taken control. Totesburg has been the chief supply depôt of the commandoes for some time past.

Alleged Gold Ore Frauds.—Henry E. Fry and Richard H. Everett, carrying on business together as smelters at Suffolk House, Laurence Pountney Hill, E.C., and Swansea, were on April 12, at the Mansion House, charged on remand with conspiring to defraud Messrs. Barclay and Co., bankers, by obtaining money and credit from them on the security of forged warrants for the delivery of gold ore. Mr. Arthur Gill went into the case in detail, and explained the exact nature of the offences

HENRY E. FRY. RICHARD H. EVERETT.

which it was alleged that the prisoners had committed. Evidence was given by Mr. J. D. Frossard, a French mining engineer, who had been in the employ of the accused, and who admitted having, with perfectly innocent intent, signed, as wharfinger, blank forms, which were afterwards filled in by them. A letter from the defendants exonerating this witness from all blame or guilty knowledge was read to the court.

BOER WAR CHRONICLE.

LORD KITCHENER'S ACTIVITY.

REASSURING NEWS, substantiating the arguments we advanced in the *P.I.P.* last week, came on Tuesday from the Pretoria Correspondent of the *Daily Mail*, who was permitted to wire home on Sunday last—

"I learn that the next six weeks are likely to bring about an important revival of active campaigning on the part of Lord Kitchener. Practically the entire body of

30,000 Reinforcements

despatched from home and the Colonies have now arrived, and there cannot be less than 60,000 mounted men ready to take the field. The supply of horses has, moreover, been kept up in sufficient quantities to satisfy all needs, the compulsory sales in Cape Colony alone having yielded 40,000.

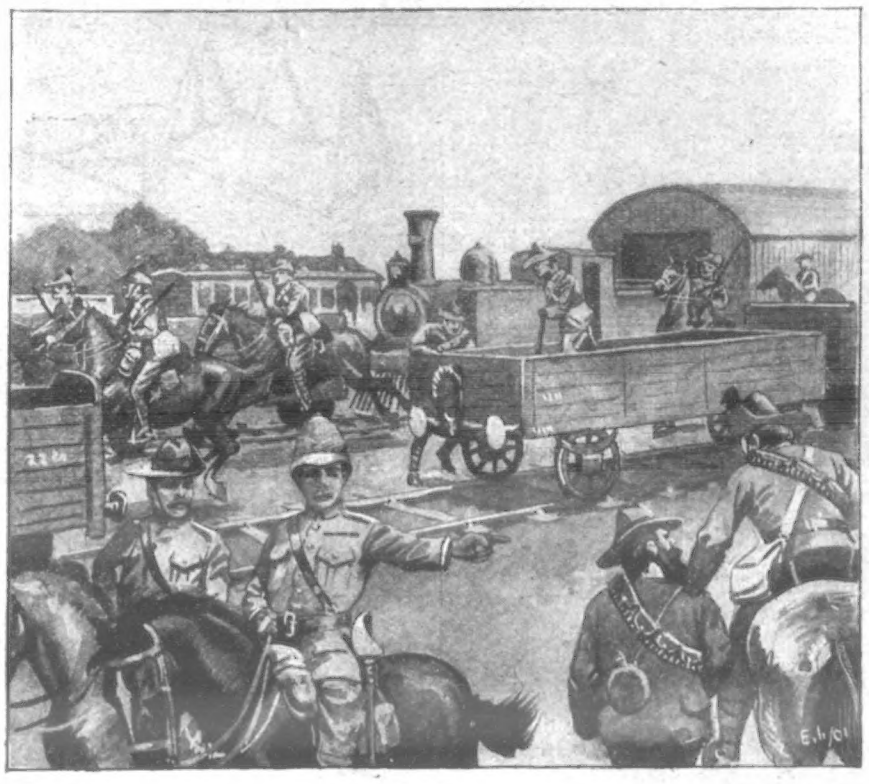
"Of course the question of supplies is as serious as ever, particularly when it is recollected that

The Army is Now Rather More Than 250,000 Strong,

exclusive of hospital cases. . . . Lord Kitchener is, it seems, satisfied with the progress of events, slow though it may seem. There are only three real centres of Boer activity in the colonies—

Botha, De la Rey, and De Wet

and all have been severely handled in the recent operations. Then with the peace negotiations



PLUMER'S CAPTURE OF PIETERSBURG: HAUL OF TWO ENGINES AND TWENTY-NINE TRUCKS.

came a fortnight's cessation of hostilities, and simultaneously the heavy, lasting rains.

"Now the sweeping movements by columns are to be resumed on a large scale, and it will further be seen what the newly arrived well-known Indian Generals—Sir Bindon Blood and Elliott—will be able to accomplish.

"The spirits of the troops are excellent, and the returns of the men with the colours, particularly in the infantry regiments, show a very small percentage of sickness. The prospect of renewed vigorous action is warmly greeted."

Boer Laager Rushed at Klerksdorp.

The following telegram from Lord Kitchener was issued by the War Office late last Monday night—

PRETORIA, Monday, April 15 (6.35 p.m.).

In Babington's operations Colonel Sir H. Rawlinson's column rushed Smuts' laager north-west of Klerksdorp at daylight.

Six Boers killed, ten wounded, twenty-three prisoners.

One 12-pounder, one pom-pom complete, two ammunition-wagons with ammunition, some horses and cattle captured.

Our casualties: Three wounded.

Plumer Captured Field-Cornet Briel

(added Lord Kitchener) and sixteen prisoners, ten wagons, eighteen rifles, and a few horses and cattle.

It is some compensation to General Plumer (whose early services in the War were not, perhaps, appreciated as highly as they should have been) that he is well in at the death—as we hope it will turn out to be. Plumer deserved a considerable share of the credit for the operations which resulted in De Wet's precipitate flight over the Orange River, whence he hastened to Heilbron to consult with General Botha, the Commander-in-Chief.

The Occupation of Pietersburg

by General Plumer was a great blow to the Boers. The success was obtained without much loss. Lord Kitchener reported that Lieutenant Walker and one man were killed; Lieutenant Sale severely wounded—all of the Imperial Bushmen.

The Boers evacuated the town during the night before Plumer's arrival, blowing up two truckloads of ammunition.

Plumer captured two engines and thirty-nine trucks, sixty prisoners, and a seven-pounder gun at Pietersburg, and destroyed 210,000 rounds of small arm ammunition, 1000 rounds seven-pounder ammunition, and a considerable amount of powder and dynamite. Well done, Plumer!

Mr. Bennet Burleigh, in a message from Pietersburg to the *Daily Telegraph*, says: "The Boers printed postage stamps and 'bluebacks' here. We destroyed the offices, but the enemy have managed to carry off a hand-press to Louis Trickhardt's, where they will probably resume printing their 'official' papers and stamps."

Another Reuter's message, from Pretoria, states that the British advance on Pietersburg was a complete surprise, and interrupted the preparations for another invasion of Cape Colony. The gaols in Pietersburg are said to be filled with recalcitrant burghers who have deserted their commandoes.

How a Mine was Saved at Modderfontein.

It is to be hoped the Transvaal gold-mines will be made to defray a fair share of the huge cost of the War. From Johannesburg comes news of how one mine was recently saved. About 150 Boers attacked the mining property at Modderfontein at one o'clock on a recent Saturday morning, damaging the searchlight by a well-directed volley, and attempting to do other damage. There being only a small body of the Mine Guard on the spot at the time, assistance was asked for. The Rand Rifles were called out, and sent by train to the scene of the attack, but the enemy disappeared before their arrival. The amount of property destroyed was insignificant, we are glad to hear. We may remind our readers that *The Penny Illustrated Paper* was the first English Journal many years ago to announce the vast wealth of the gold-mines on the land upon which has since sprung up the city of Johannesburg.

The Boers' Raft.

Full particulars of the circumstances attending the retreat of the Boers across the Orange River are now to hand from Reuter's representative at Burghersdorp. A body of them, stated to be one thousand strong, passed the homestead at Roosterfontein in a desperate condition, being ragged and starving, with their horses falling out continually.

The crossing occupied two days at Oudefontein Drift. Rafts and ours had to be constructed for the purpose. Twelve Boers were drowned. Major Murray's column arrived before all had crossed, and used guns and Maxims effectively.

A Tremendous "Rounding-up."

Writing from Thaba N'chu, Mr. Bennet Burleigh, in describing the effect of the "drive" upon the Thaba N'chu lines, says: "Never have I witnessed such a 'rounding-up' of cattle, not even upon the biggest American ranches. The resultant of this 'first drive' is over 200,000 head of stock, with fully 10,000 horses of all conditions."

General French not Captured.

A private letter received in Exeter from Natal on Monday morning stated that General French and 500 men have been captured by the Boers.

At the War Office, in the afternoon, we rejoice to learn, it was said that there was no truth whatever in the statement.

A Yeoman Killed by Treachery.

A Reuter's special message from Bloemfontein says that two men of the Yeomanry, who asked for water at a farm at Jagersfontein Road, were treacherously directed by a woman to a place where some Boers were in ambush. One Yeoman was killed and the other was wounded. Troops were sent to the farm and inflicted just punishment for the act of treachery. The woman was sent to the refugee camp.

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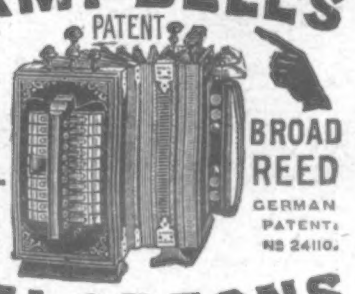

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14		15 ft. by 10 ft.	10 0 0	7 0 0
15		20 ft. by 10 ft.	14 0 0	9 15 0
16		25 ft. by 10 ft.	17 10 0	12 0 0
17		50 ft. by 12 ft.	42 0 0	28 0 0
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19		12 ft. by 8 ft.	6 10 0	4 10 0
20		15 ft. by 10 ft.	9 10 0	6 12 6
21		20 ft. by 10 ft.	14 0 0	9 5 0

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53–1	,,	5 ft. 6 in. by 3 ft. 6 in.	1 10 0	1 5 0
54–2	,,	7 ft. by 5 ft. 6 in.	2 12 6	2 5 0
55–2	,,	8 ft. by 6 ft.	2 15 0	2 7 0
56–4	,,	14 ft. 6 in. by 5 ft. 6 in.	4 0 0	3 5 0
57–3	,,	12 ft. by 6 ft.	3 15 0	3 0 0
58–1	,,	4 ft. by 3 ft.	1 0 0	0 17 0
59–4	,,	12 ft. by 4 ft.	3 5 0	2 12 6
60–6	,,	24 ft. by 6 ft.	6 10 0	5 15 0
61–12	,,	48 ft. by 6 ft.	13 0 0	10 10 0

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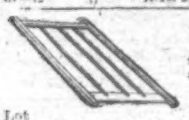

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63–227	Unglazed Lights.	6 ft. by 4 ft.	,,	0 4 6	0 3 9
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205	5 ft. ,, 4 ft. ,, 6 ft. ,,	3 15 0	1 5 0
206	8 ft. ,, 4 ft. ,, 6 ft. ,,	1 18 0	1 12 0
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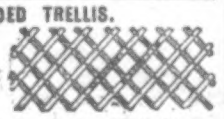

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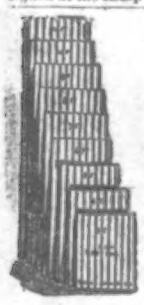

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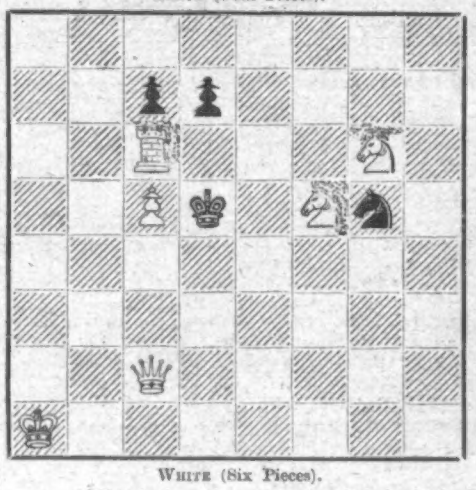
SOLUTION OF PROBLEM No. 369.

1. Q to Q 1st	K takes R	2. P to Q 4th	Mate
1. ,,	K to Q 6th	2. R takes P	,,
1. ,,	K to B 4th	2. Q to K Kt 1st	,, etc.

PROBLEM No. 370.—BY T. BREEDE.

BLACK (Four Pieces).



WHITE (Six Pieces).

White to play, and mate in two moves.

The following game was played in the match Leeds v. Birmingham St. George's between Messrs. G. POLLARD (Leeds) and B. D. WILMOTT (Birmingham).

WHITE (Mr. Pollard).	BLACK (Mr. Wilmott).	WHITE (Mr. Pollard).	BLACK (Mr. Wilmott).
1. P to Q 4th	P to Q 4th	16. Castles Q R	R to R 6th
2. K Kt to B 3rd	K Kt to B 3rd		
3. P to Q B 3rd	B to B 4th		

This is, to say the least, unusual. Apparently, White wants to secure the Queen's Pawn in order to continue soon with P to K 4th.

4. P to K 3rd	P to B 3rd	17. Q to K 2nd	Q R to R 1st
		18. Kt to R 4th	Q R takes Kt
		19. P takes R	R takes P
		20. P to K R 3rd	Q to R 4th
		21. K to Kt 1st	Q to B 4th (ch)
		22. Q to B 2nd	Q to B 6th
		23. Q to Q 3rd	Q to Kt 7th
		24. Q to B 1st	

There was no particular reason why Black should have imitated White's bad development. P to K 3rd, followed by P to Q B 4th, was, of course, the right continuation.

The reason why White, with the exchange ahead for a Pawn, does not play to win is not apparent; nor is it clear why Black refuses to capture the Q B P.

5. B to Q 3rd	B to Kt 3rd	24.	Q to K 5th
6. Q to B 2nd	P to K 3rd	25. Q to Q 3rd	Q to Kt 7th
7. Q Kt to Q 2nd	Q Kt to Q 2nd		
8. P to K 4th	Kt takes P		
9. Kt takes Kt	P takes Kt		
10. B takes P	Kt to B 3rd		
11. B to Q 3rd	B to Q 3rd		
12. B to Kt 5th	Q to B 2nd		
13. B takes Kt	P takes B		
14. B takes B	R P takes B		
15. P to K Kt 3rd	Castles Q R		

Drawn by repetition of moves.

DRAUGHTS.

BANTAM.—19—15 wins also.

CAPTAIN CHALLICE, Q.W.R.—Accepted.

A. FAYNE.—Problem 7 accepted.

T. HARDING.—Two keys: 24—28 and 20—25.

G. JACKSON.—Your problem not solved correctly.

J. E. JONES and A. HENBEST.—Obliged for games.

J. R. LEVER.—Yes, for the present.

ALLAN MARSHALL.—Two keys: 15—10 and 29—25.

E. L. OWEN.—Too easy of solution.

C. T. RECORD.—You are at liberty to do as you wish.

W. SMITH.—Rather too easy.

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM No. 351.—By T. NOBLE.

Black: 5, 9, 18, 26, 27, 28.

White: 8, 13, 14, 16, 23, 29, 32.

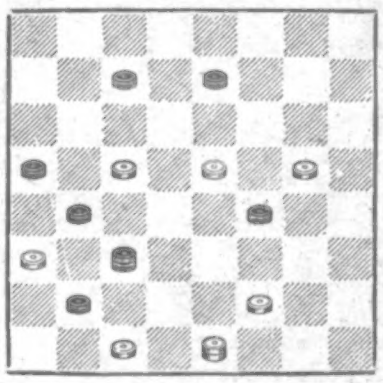
Black to move, and win.

2—7	14—5	30—25	32—23
13—6	26—30	29—22	3—1
5—9	23—14	7—3	B. wins.

PROBLEM No. 332.

By C. WEST (Nottingham).

BLACK.



WHITE.

Black to move, and win.

GAME No. 283.

Played by correspondence between W. COLLINS (Lewisham) and JOHN E. JONES (Aberystwyth).

Double Corner.

9—14*	12—19	7—10	15—24	9—13
22 17	27 24	26 22	28 19	22 18
11—16	5— 9	8—11	8—12	1— 5
25 22	22 17	27 23	32 27*a*	18 9
16—19	9—14	19—26	6— 9	5—14
24 15	17 10	30 23	27 23	25 22
10—19	7—14	2— 6	11—15	10—15
17 10	29 25	23 19	20 16	11 7
6—15	3— 7	4— 8	15—24	24—27
23 16	31 27	24 20	16 11	B. wins.

(*a*) Losing move; 22—17 would have drawn.

W. Collins played White.

Fond Mother: "All those beautiful dresses, Johnny, came from a poor, insignificant worm." Johnny: "Yes, I know, mamma. Papa is the worm, ain't he?"

A Man who had seen a good deal of quarrelling over wills recently left this legal document for his friends to peruse: "This is the last will and testament of me, John Jones. I leave all my things to be divided among my relations. If anybody makes a fuss about anything he isn't to have nothing."

The "P.J.P." Farmer.

Dwarf and Marrow Peas.

ON very open ground, where attention can be given them, the tall marrows are very profitable, and produce enormous pods for a great length of time. But they are not at all suitable for the small gardens, though one often sees them doing poorly in such places, for people will plant them on account of their large size and fine flavour; and they are among the number of things of which seed is frequently given away by friends, who insist on having others try them, too often without properly considering if they have the space at their command which they require. Dwarfs take up less room, may be sown closer together from row to row, require very little sticking—if any at all—and are the best for poor ground. They also occasion the least trouble and give no shadow to prejudice other things. Dwarfs should be from two to three feet apart, the latter distance for the main crops. But taller sorts must be at least four or five feet apart, and the tallest eight or nine; for at less distance the air cannot circulate freely among them, and they get drawn and sickly.

AN EARLY MARROWFAT PEA.

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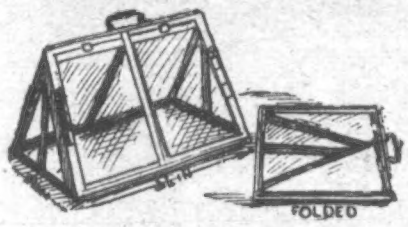

A HAND-LIGHT.

In the height of summer they can be placed over plants which require protection from the sun's rays or in the evening from cold, cutting winds; but it is, of course, in the early spring that they are likely to be of the greatest service.

On Zinnias.

It is the long duration of the flowers, as well as the varied display of colours the blooms possess, which has gained for the zinnia its great popularity. Perfect drainage must be guaranteed from the commencement, and this being so, it is better to sow the seed in pans or pots (in preference to boxes), which are more porous. Some seeds will grow and "come" well when they are cultivated in a house, and may be safely placed on a shelf near the glass; but there are others that need assistance with a slight bottom-heat from the starting-point, and zinnias require this help. To sow them in boxes without troubling to ascertain whether the water will percolate freely, and to put them, as is sometimes done, in cold frames, and then find that only here and there seedlings appear, is just what might be expected from the adoption of a course like this. Well-drained pots are to be preferred to boxes, and the latter may be brought into use for pricking out. Watering at this stage must be carefully done, as they have an unfortunate way of damping-off in the seedling state. As with other things, a frame is requisite for hardening them before planting out-of-doors, but the general stock of annuals intended for the borders may be got into their places before the zinnias need be removed, as the first or second week in June, according to locality, will be quite early enough. Out-of-doors they should be given the sunniest and, at the same time, the driest position possible.

ZINNIAS.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Cattle-Killer.

I am obliged by Mr. B.'s note, and will communicate with him personally.

A Goat Wanted.

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ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

INCOME TAX.—Explain the matter to the collector. The facts are now clear, and we think you should appeal if necessary.

F. H. N. W.—This is not a legal question.

E. M.—(1) Yes. (2) Yes.

BOXER.—The interest shou'd, we assume, be paid quarterly. You should apply for payment of the first quarter's interest now.

T. H.—A person is disqualified from being elected member or chairman of a parish council who is an undischarged bankrupt.

F. PLATT.—The debt is probably statute-barred.

ANXIOUS.—Certain privileges are allowed to well-conducted prisoners. He may have a year or more deducted from the time he has now to serve.

BEND.—Make a further application in writing, and then, if necessary, sue in the County Court.

J. B.—You do not state the nature or cause of the accident. We cannot, therefore, state whether the employers are liable.

READER.—A solicitor should be consulted to secure the appointment, by deed or otherwise.

RALPH.—Yes.

O. T. R.—In the event of your mother's death your father could claim all her personalty. Of course, furniture bought with your own or your mother's money cannot belong to your father now.

T. J.—We assume that the lease states that vacant possession is to be given on expiration of the term, and therefore you have your remedy if the tenant does not go.

L. W. N.—No.

J. RUS.—Collect all papers, certificates, and other evidence showing how you claim to be entitled, and see a solicitor thereon.

LEX.

THE RACING WORLD.

I AM HOPING that the Newmarket Craven Meeting, in progress as I write, may turn out better than it promises on the first day, with its sample of spring more discomforting than a bad winter, and that the City and Suburban horses, also those for whose appearance we look later to do us good, will struggle through and take no harm.

Jockeys,

so far as I can recollect, have been privileged persons in the matter of weather, and its effects. Even the tiny mites, the very light weights, seem as a rule able to go out in the cold blast, put up with chilling showers, and be none the worse for the trial. I do hope that these and the more matured section, the big men of the profession, will follow the Americans' lead and go in for the overalls, also waterproof under-jacket wear, which

Sam Loates Introduced at Warwick,

thanks to his trip to the States. These outer garments weigh next to nothing, and do a power of good in keeping the wet out; and will, I make no doubt, be generally adopted. Jockeys in them look a bit funny at first, but we are being educated into taking little notice of innovations. The novelty of to-day becomes the accepted mode in a week For instance,

The Sloan Style of Riding.

Nearly all of our men have schooled themselves to this method. Halsey was, I think, one of the first; but at that he had Tom Weldon ahead of him, for Tom used to ride very forward before any of the Transatlantic school made a mark here.

Now We Have Kemmy Cannon.

Sam Loates, Madden, Rickaby, Charley Cannon, Morny to an extent, and most of the others copying the Yankees. The curious part of the business is, as I say, that though the season commenced so recently no one seems to note novelty in this regard.

For long the City and Suburban hung fire in the betting market. But in the last few days there have been plenty of orders for four or five horses, and the public now seem to be really keen on the race. As I wrote,

Alvescot

was the horse to back after the bold show he made in the Lincolnshire Handicap. Horses come and horses go, but Mr. Joicey's keeps his place in the betting. He must go close, and I shall not desert this early selection. At the same time, I must remember one I made when the weights came out. Then, as *P.J.P.* readers will recollect, I said that

Little Eva

would win any of the spring handicaps for which the stable backed her. She did win the Lincolnshire Handicap, and incurred a 10 lb. penalty for Epsom. But on the Carholme she carried 4 lb. over weight; so that on Wednesday next she will be putting up only 6 lb. extra. Now my fancy is that she is better at the weights than the stable companion

General Peace,

who is being well backed. If Grately is to win, it will, I think, be with the filly rather than the horse; but if the market says differently on the day, then the General must be much feared. I might write at considerable length on the City, because I consider it a very open race indeed. At least a dozen horses hold good chances, and you never can tell from day to day what surprises may come. So I will confine my remarks, in endeavouring to find the winner, to a few whom I fancy, and leave the others out. In the first place,

There is Alvescot,

who ran on most gallantly in the Lincolnshire Handicap. We all know about him. He is well, and has, I know, improved since the opening of the season. Alvescot must be one. Pellisson is this year an unknown quantity, because he won his two public trials so easily that you could not get near his form. Before this week is over we may all of us want to get on Chicane. Australian Star has pleased his people, and the colonial will, I hope, win. If he is better than The Grafter he will want a lot of beating. While believing in Alvescot, I would not like to leave Hulcot out if I went for the former, because of what the book says. I have not space to run through the list of probable starters, as I would wish, seeing what an open race this seems. My little lot may be beaten; but if I thought for a week about the crowd I should, I expect, finish as I do now, and say that I expect

Australian Star or Alvescot

to win, and next to them take Hulcot and Merry Methodist. On form I cannot stand the last-named, but the money makes me hedge.

I suppose I ought to write a word or two about the Derby, which, like the City, is an open race. At present I think that the best horses to back are Doricles, Ruskin, and Royal Rouge. Ruskin I expect to see at a short price, and Doricles prove the better horse at the finish.

BENDIGO.

"I Left My Husband's Death Notice here this morning," said the widow. "Yes," said the bright clerk in the publishing office of the *Daily Squib*. "Now," continued the widow, "I want you to add to the notice, 'Gone to rest,' in an appropriate place." "Yes, Madam," replied the bright clerk; and the next morning she read: "Gone to rest in an appropriate place."

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THE WORLD OF PASTIME.

CHARLES DAWSON REGAINS THE BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP.

IN January last H. W. Stevenson defeated Dawson in a match for the championship so decisively that the excuse of indisposition offered on behalf of the loser was at once generally accepted. That Dawson should take prompt steps in the endeavour to regain the lost title was what everyone expected. Stevenson continued to play here, there, and everywhere, as if convinced that plenty of work were the royal road to retention of the title. Whether the result of the match concluded on Saturday affords a truthful reflection or not of the different methods adopted, certain is it that it was more decisive than on the previous occasion, and that indisposition or staleness was again put forward in extenuation of defeat—suffered this time by Stevenson. One might have thought that, with so much depending on a match of this kind—title, stakes, £25 for every three months the championship is held — no player would throw a chance away. But I suppose professional billiard-players, like others, fail sometimes to act up to their better judgment. Stevenson went off with a flash, and he played in admirable form on the fifth day, but for the rest of the time he was poor. Playing consistently well throughout,

C. DAWSON,
Who has Regained the Billiard Championship from H. W. Stevenson.

Dawson Finished up in Really Brilliant Fashion,

making on Saturday afternoon a break of 284, and in the evening one of 442. He won by no fewer than 3204 points. The match was played at Messrs. Wright and Co.'s saloon, Argyll Hall, Argyll Street, W., on a table of this firm's manufacture. It is tolerably certain that another match between these two players will take place early next season.

The Football Cup Final.

On Saturday (April 20) of the present week Sheffield United and Tottenham Hotspur are to play at the Crystal Palace for the right to hold the Cup until next season, and to receive the larger share of prize-money—no small consideration. Any number of football-followers in the South would be intensely gratified if success were to be met with by the London club, and there is little doubt that they will strive their hardest to win. With a little luck they may do so, but I cannot help thinking that the Cup's resting-place will be Sheffield.

The Leagues.

It is not a little singular that, respectively, in both First and Second Divisions the two clubs at the head of affairs suffered reverses on Saturday last. Sunderland were beaten by Sheffield Wednesday, and Stoke defeated Notts County. The result in the latter match was particularly important to Stoke, who thereby practically made sure of remaining in the First Division; but both this and the defeat of Sunderland helped Liverpool, who beat Manchester City, and are now exceedingly well placed. Notts Forest also went under to Wolverhampton Wanderers, but Bury, Everton, and Newcastle United all won, the last-named beating Sheffield United, who were probably playing easy in view of the more important engagement referred to above. The ill-success of Grimsby Town and Small Heath cannot be accounted as of vast moment to them, as they remain well ahead of all but Burnley, who, by winning on Saturday, drew up pretty close to Small Heath, who, however, have played fewer matches.

Tottenham Hotspur and Millwall

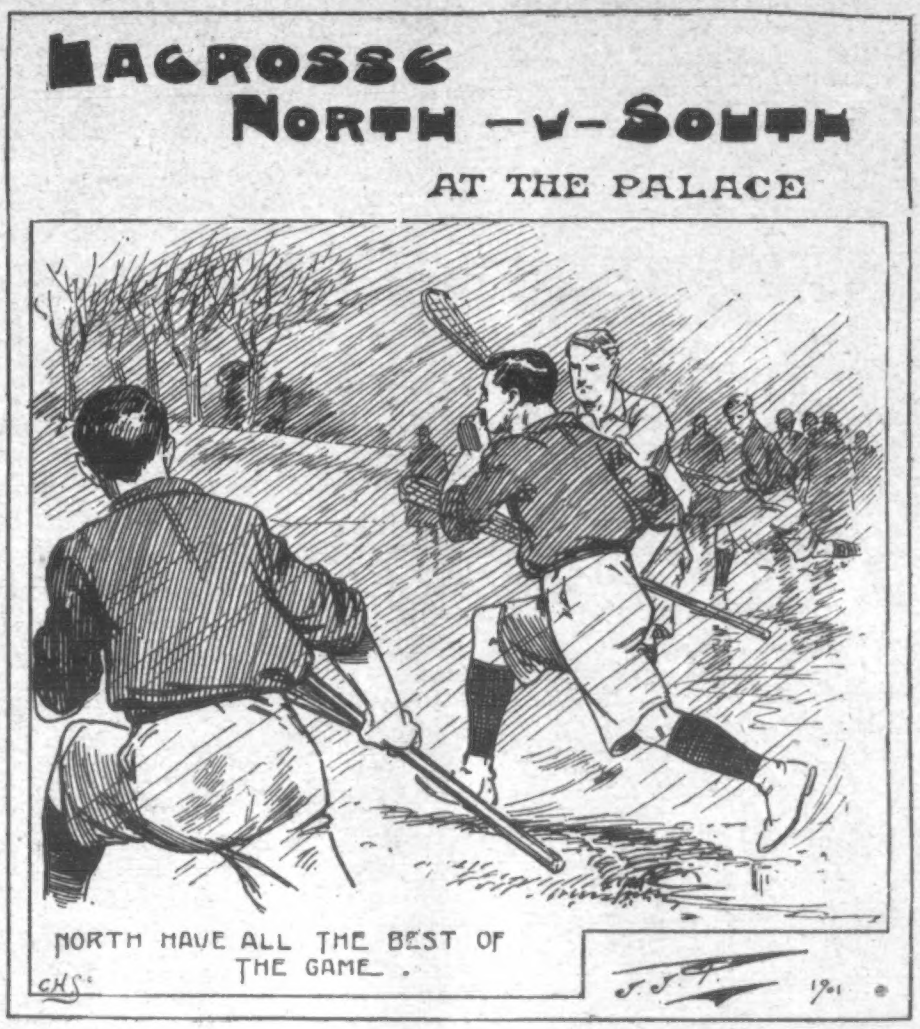
was the most attractive fixture in the South, but the bad weather, and perhaps the thought that the 'Spurs would not put their best team in the field, deterred many from visiting Millwall, for the attendance did not exceed 3000. The ground was in very moist condition, and though the game was closely contested, the play was not calculated to excite. Millwall had rather the better of the game, but a goal, against which an appeal for off-side was made, was scored by the visitors just before the close, and as this was the only point of the afternoon, it meant victory.

Lacrosse at the Crystal Palace.

Teams representing respectively the North and the South met at the Palace on Saturday. It was a spirited game played in depressing circumstances. In the first half the pace was very fast, all things considered, and the game pretty even, the North scoring three goals against two. Subsequently the North showed the better form, and victory went to them by seven goals to four. This was their tenth successive win, and it was witnessed by

His Grace the Duke of Argyll,

who is President of the South of England Lacrosse Association, and who, after addressing the teams, was photographed with them. The athletic sports season may be said to have commenced on Saturday very inauspiciously.



The South London Harriers,

who, for well-understood reasons, are obliged to hold their spring meeting early or find some other ground than Kennington Oval, had taken the precaution this year to insure against financial loss. They could therefore regard the small attendance with a certain amount of equanimity, but they could not have any other feeling than chagrin at the way in which the sport was spoiled by the rain and the soddened turf. In spite of all there were some interesting finishes. W. A. Lines, St. Bride's A.C., won the half by less than a yard, and but half a yard separated J. B. Denham, the winner of the 100 yards handicap, from the second man, while there were a few inches only between first (S. A. Firmin) and second (C. W. Cureton) in the 300 yards handicap. W. Martindale won the two miles handicap walk, and S. A. Sherrington the mile race. In the quarter-mile level race E. J. Ottey unexpectedly beat R. W. Wadsley; and in the three miles handicap, A. Shrubb, National and Southern Counties Cross-Country champion, found his chance from scratch so hopeless that he retired rather more than a lap from home. G. Still won, and F. and J. Appleby were respectively second and third.

Surbiton Sports

were in danger of being postponed, or partially so. The committee met in the morning to consider whether the local events should be carried out, and after some consideration, decided to carry out the whole of the programme. This was done in very praiseworthy fashion, despite all difficulties. With 20 yards start Lieutenant H. E. Grace, a son of W. G. of that ilk, won the quarter-mile invitation, and with 160 yards allowance E. F. Judson, of Blackheath H., secured the two miles invitation. The Surbiton Lacrosse Club won the inter-club threequarter-mile steeplechase, and also furnished the first man home, R. F. M. Bigby, who beat C. W. F. Struben by a couple of yards. The local events both for seniors and juniors were well supported as usual.

The Tamesis Sailing Club

held their usual Easter Monday match in Teddington Reach in a very strong westerly wind, which was the occasion of one or two capsizes in the course of the morning. The race was for boats of above 5 rating over a course of six miles. Nine boats started; the three prizes being awarded, in the order named, to Mr. Linton Hope's *Tess*, Messrs. W. T. Clarke and H. Snobohm's *Asking*, and Mr. J. F. Storey's *Latona*. The *P.I.P.* Up-the-River Snap-shottist took a photograph (reproduced on page 250) of the last-named and of Mr. C. P. Gosnell's *Yvonne*, which capsized.

BANSHEE.

Little Ethel: "Ma, are you the nearest relative I've got?" Mother (who has just been refused a new bonnet): "Yes, dear; and your pa is the closest relative you've got."

"I Have Decided to be a Hospital Nurse," said Amy. "I saw it stated that seventy-five per cent. of unmarried men fall in love and propose marriage to the women that nurse them through severe illnesses." "I saw that statement too," added Mabel, "but my recollection is that it said pretty nurses."

A Lady—Possibly a Dean's Wife—had two parrots, one kept in the lady's apartments, the other in the kitchen. The lady had taught the parlour parrot to say the responses when she herself said the Litany. One day the parrot refused to utter a word in the presence of some callers, to whom its mistress wished to exhibit its accomplishments. A servant suggested that if the kitchen parrot was brought and placed by the side of the other the birds would talk. The kitchen parrot, on being brought, at once rapped out, "I wish the devil had our missis!" to which the other parrot devoutly responded, "We beseech Thee to hear us, Good Lord!"

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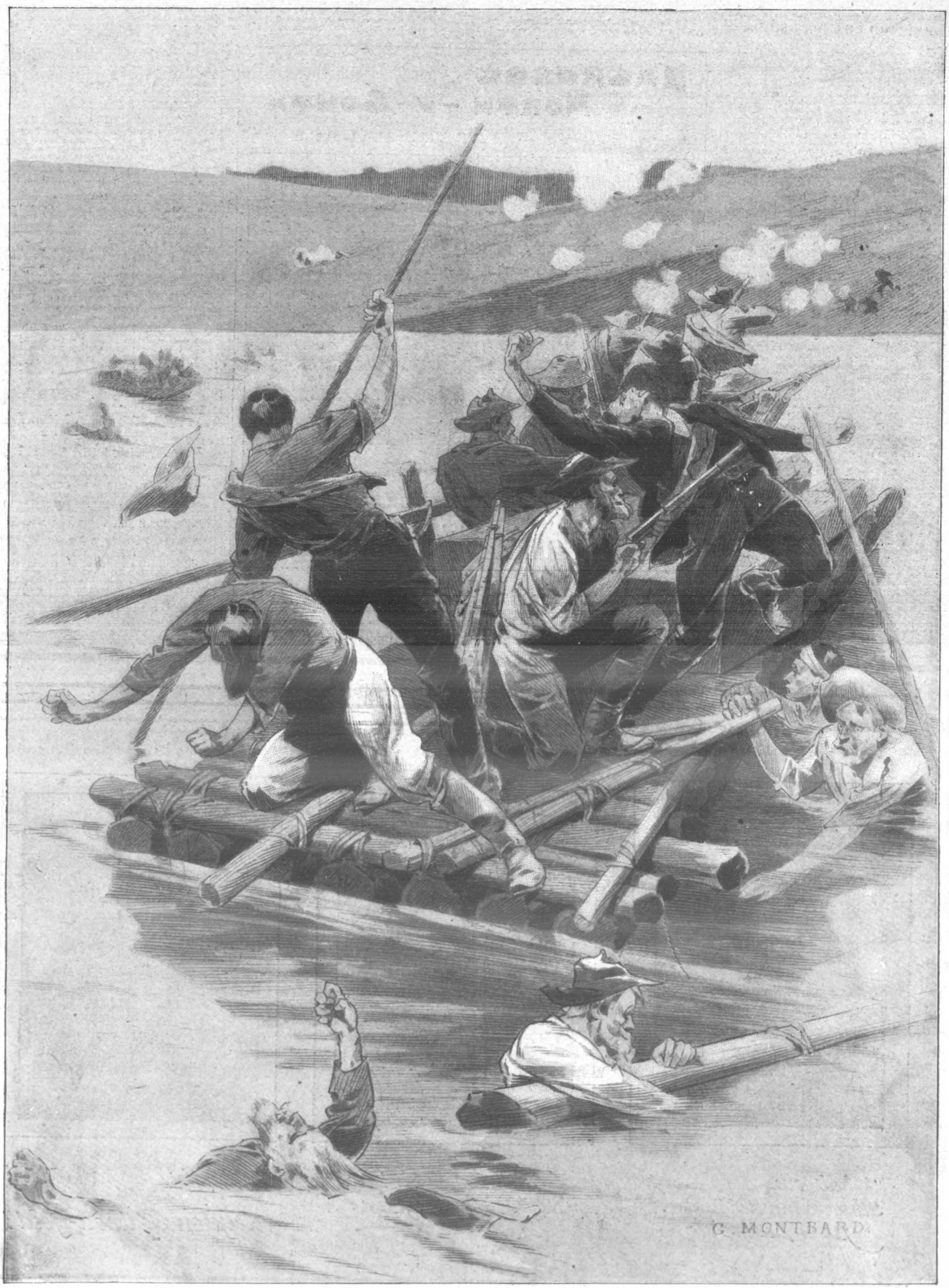

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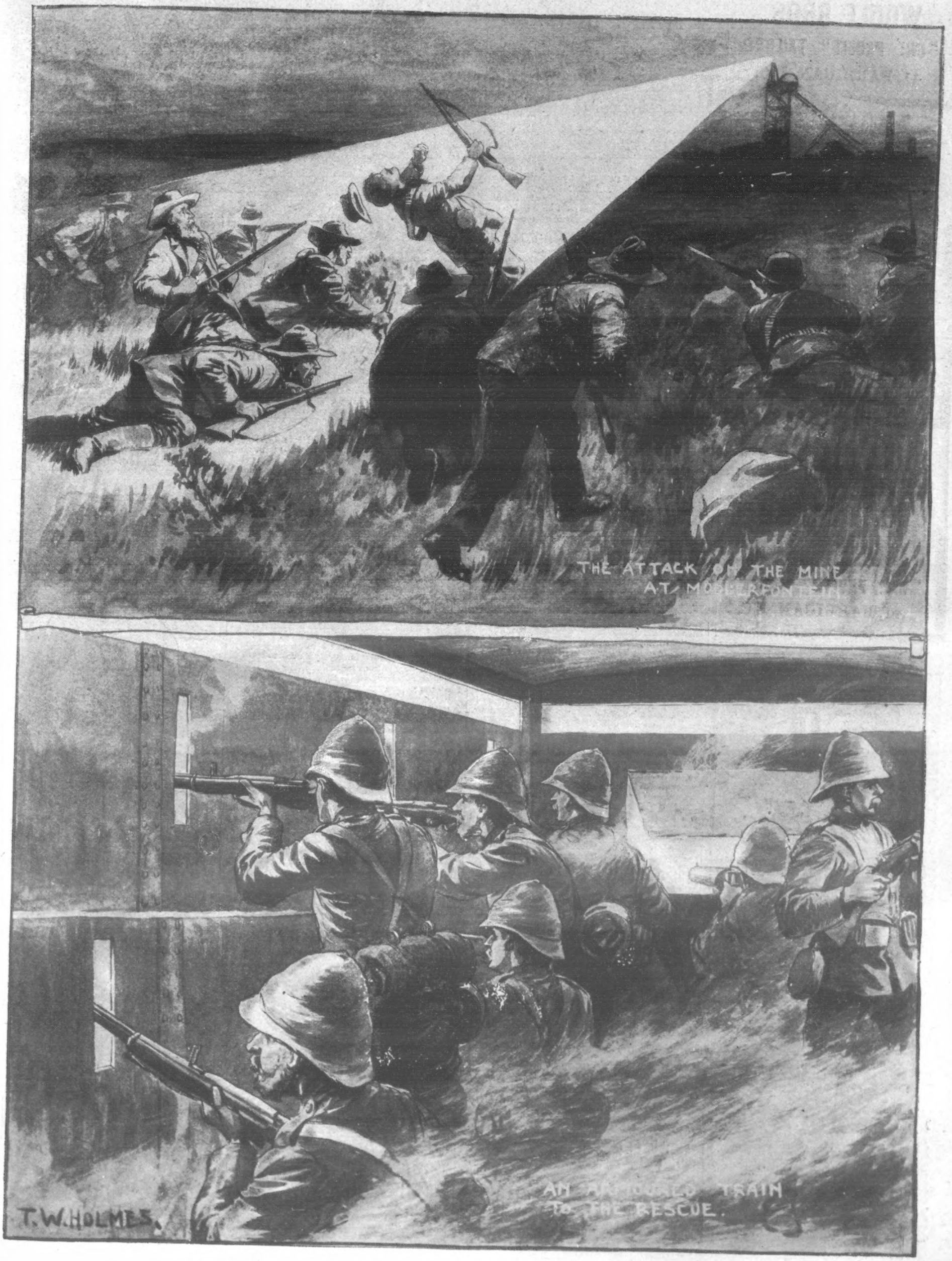

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THE flickering firelight played upon the soft features of a girl as, seated upon the hearthrug, she gazed with lustrous eyes into the depths of the glowing coals.

"If I never meet him again my life will be one long blank."

"Don't you think time may help to fill it? After only one meeting the poison cannot have gone very deep. For my part, I am not a believer in love at first sight as being of very lasting duration," replied her sister, as she smiled down upon the pretty fair curls at her knee, which had come into the world some half score of years later than her own russet locks.

"Oh, but, Clare, you don't know the dreadful agony of disappointed love. Ralph just came along and asked you to marry him, and you said, 'Yes'; but my life will be ruined if I do not see him again," sobbed the little tragedy queen of seventeen with all the world-reaching wisdom of that age.

It was that witching hour of night when, garbed in dressing-gowns and slippers, women love to unburden their hearts to one another; and Kitty Duncan had crept into her sister's room to confess her love and ask for help.

"He is so handsome, so distinguished-looking," continued the girl; "and then he dances divinely, and no matter what I said he seemed to think it worth listening to. Then when our dance was over he said he was sorry it had been so short, and that he hoped we might soon meet again."

"But you dance very well, Kitty."

"Oh, yes, but it was not that. Then Algie came up and—and he said he looked like a shop-walker, and laughed and jeered when I said he was distinguished. I think Algie is abominably rude; he is always making fun of me: just because he knew me when I was a child he takes too many liberties with me now that I am a woman," and the pretty lips gathered into what looked very like a spoilt child's pout.

Mrs. Lennox smiled and said nothing.

"It must be love," continued Kitty seriously, "for all these years I have never cared for anyone, only fancies, you know; at least, they fancied me."

"Six in the nursery, ten and a half in the school-room, and six months in the drawing-room. A long record certainly; but are you quite sure that Cupid has even now transfixed your heart and not just grazed your head, or flashed his bright dart before your eyes? You have told me that his name is Dr. Eldon, but do you know anything more about him?"

"No, except he lives somewhere in the City, I think, for he spoke of going to the evening service at St. Paul's when he had time. I am sure he is very clever, and is slaving his life away for all the poor people down in those dreadful alleys and back lanes. I think he is poor, too, for he spoke of going in an omnibus. I know he is doing it all for humanity, and has no one to cheer and encourage him in his life work."

"And do you think," said the elder sister kindly, "that if all this is true you would make him a suitable wife? Could you give up your pretty dresses and limit yourself to one gown a year, made by some little City dressmaker? Could you step into an omnibus with as much grace as you do into a carriage? Could you live contentedly on roast and boiled, hot and cold joint, year in year out, cooked or uncooked, as the case may be, by your one 'domestic'?"

"Oh, I don't think it would be as bad as all that," said Kitty, a little disillusioned by the gloomy prospect her sister held out to her; "besides, a woman can do anything for the man she loves; and he has such beautiful eyes that seem to look into your very soul."

"You got that from that last novel you were reading, Kitty. Do try and be a little more original," said Mrs. Lennox, laughing softly.

"You are very unkind, Clare," said her sister hotly. "I thought you would help me. You don't mind my life being ruined. But then you are married and have forgotten what love means."

"And when you marry are you going to forget what love means too?"

"Of course not. But then my love is different."

"And why do you say Ralph and I do not love each other?" asked Mrs. Lennox, pronouncing her husband's name with a whispered softness rarely heard when a wife names her life-partner.

"Well—well," said Kitty thoughtfully, "he never kisses you."

Her sister smiled. "Will you let Dr. Eldon kiss you in the presence of others when you are married?"

The pretty face crimsoned, and hiding it in her sister's lap, she said crossly, "Clare, how could you ask such dreadful questions!"

Clare raised the little face and kissed it.

"Go to bed, Kitty," she said; "you shall see your doctor again."

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Just a fortnight after the above confession Clare Lennox was resting her pretty feet upon the fender as she sat in the place where we first saw her, in her cozily furnished bed-room. Mrs. Lennox was not considering the success of her party, though well might she look proudly back on it, for she was a hostess who could make that most deadly of entertainments, a musical afternoon, not only endurable, but enjoyable.

Now she was wondering if she had done wisely in yielding to her sister's entreaties in asking Dr. Eldon to her house. She had seen him arrive, and watched Kitty blushingly escort him to the music-room, but owing to being detained in receiving her guests, and her other duties as hostess, she had been unable again to observe her sister's movements.

When Dr. Eldon had come to say good-bye she instinctively liked him, but felt that he would not be the man to make her impetuous little sister a happy wife.

A few friends staying for dinner had prevented confidences, but her quick eyes had noted an unusual excitement in the girl's manner during the evening.

She was debating with herself if she had done wisely in granting her request, as she waited for Kitty to pour out her news.

She soon heard the approach of softly slippered feet, and in another minute her sister had thrown herself on the rug, in her favourite position at Clare's feet, her face beaming with happiness.

"Why do you look so pleased, child?" asked Mrs. Lennox, a little anxiously, as she laid her hand caressingly on the golden curls.

"Oh, I am so happy," cried the girl, putting her soft cheek against her sister's knee. "He—oh, Clare, how can I tell you?—he asked me to be his wife."

Mrs. Lennox sat up.

"Surely, surely, Kitty, you did not accept him until you had—had at least known him better!"

"Known him better!" repeated her sister in amazement. "Why, I don't remember the time when I did not know him!"

"Who are you speaking of?" inquired Clare.

"Why, Algie, of course. Who else?"

Mrs. Lennox leant back again with a sigh of relief; and then a smile, in which there was just the faintest touch of irony, gathered round her beautiful lips.

"You don't seem a bit glad!" said Kitty, pouting; "and I thought you would be so pleased."

"Dearest," said her sister tenderly, "I am more glad than I can tell you. Sir Algernon is just the man to suit you, but—well, you see, you admired another of my guests too, and so give me a minute or two that I may transfer my ideas to the object of your attachment."

"Oh, Dr. Eldon!" said Kitty, laughing. "Somehow he did not look quite so nice by daylight, and then I saw him listening to that Minnie Barns with just the same attention which he paid to me, and you know she talks nothing but nonsense, and—and I don't think I would do for a poor man's wife. Algie wants to be married at the end of the season, and then go abroad until the shooting begins at Castlemay. What parties I can give—hunting, shooting, coaching! I will make the money fly."

"It is well your husband has a long purse, Kitty. I suppose 'humanity' does not come into your calculations now."

"You are laughing at me; but I don't care, I am too happy."

"Are you so very fond of him?"

"Oh yes, of course. Somehow I never thought of him in that way. I have always known him so well, and he never would take me seriously; but he is a dear old boy all the same, and I am sure we shall get on capitally."

"God grant it," murmured Clare Lennox, as she bent over and kissed the fair head; "and now run off to bed, or when your lover comes to-morrow he will find white roses where he looks for blush ones."

"Not in bed yet, little woman?" said Ralph Lennox, as he entered his wife's room some half-hour later. "A kiss for your thoughts. If gravity means worth I would say they were invaluable."

"Kitty is engaged to Sir Algernon Goring, Ralph."

"Capital! they could not be better matched. That young butterfly requires a lot of gold-dust to gild her pretty wings. But surely the knowledge that Kitty is going to marry one of the richest Baronets in England could not have cast such a shadow on my darling's face!" he said, kneeling down and putting his arm round her.

She laid her hand gently on his shoulder. "I was only thinking, is there such a thing as love, or are half the people who believe they have been disappointed in it merely the victims of their own fancies?"

"I think, dearest," he said, drawing her closer to him, "we at least have proved that it can be a heavenly reality; so why should we grudge others the hollow fancies which they hug to their hearts?"

She raised her lovely eyes to her husband's, and, dropping them again, whispered softly, "Yes, I know it can be real."

He raised her face to his, and pressed upon her lips one of those long, silent, rapturous kisses which unite two souls in one brief heaven.

THE END.

Minister: "How's that, Jackson; you say you are glad when Sunday comes round, and yet I never see you inside the church?" Jackson: "No, but the old woman goes, Sir."

"This Comes From Making Love to the daughter of a 'genius.'" "What is the trouble, Tom?" "Why, her father has just invented a parlour-clock that sounds an alarm at ten o'clock, turns out the gas, and opens the front door by a wire spring."

Mother: "Gertrude, I'm afraid you made a mistake in refusing that Mr. Jones." Daughter: "Why, mother?" Mother: "Why, the meek manner in which he took your refusal shows he is of the stuff that husbands should be made of."

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A Smart Parisian Chapeau is revealed in Fig. 1, consisting of black-and-white "crin" straw, trimmed with black panne, and a couple of white Mercury wings placed under the upturned brim on the right side, fastened by a chou of panne, which rests on the hair. It will be noticed that the shape is quite low, and is raised but very little by the trimming. The quite low hat or toque is, in fact, very dear to the heart of the fair Parisienne just now and her main millinery effects for the moment may be summed up as low and broad, and worn well forward. Many followers of this vogue may be found this side of the Channel, and *la belle Americaine* is also affecting it.

A PARISIAN CHAPEAU.

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A Modish Blouse-Bodice is shown in Fig. 2, with one of the very newest sleeves. This fascinating French

DAINTY BLOUSE-BODICE.

creation is built of "duck's egg" panne cloth, one of the many new spring fabrics, very soft and pliable, with a velvety surface. The front has broad stitched tucks from a half-yoke fastened with dainty china buttons; the collar turning over with olive-green velvet, and waistbelt of the same. The upper sleeve is tucked (as front of bodice) to just above the elbow, then allowed to fly loose and turned under, thus forming a puffing over the undersleeve of green velvet. The hat shown in this sketch is also from the land of chiffons, and is a fine straw-coloured crin, the crown draped in black net embroidered with gold and having big ostrich-tips on either side.

CHARMING AMERICAN MODEL.

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American Taste and "cuteness" in matters sartorial are responsible for the delightful model expressed in Fig. 3. Oatmeal cloth is the material—the skirt very clinging round the hips, and very flowing round the feet—and prettily outlined with a heavy insertion of string-coloured guipure. The pouched bodice is broadly tucked, cut low in the neck, and turned over in a shoulder-collar edged with corresponding lace to the insertion, and opening over a finely tucked vest and collar of silk in the new red, which is described as between pink and tomato. The sleeves are cut to moderate bell-shape, three-quarter and castellated, showing the full undersleeve of guipure over the same red silk. This was really one of the prettiest gowns of the many I have seen lately, and well deserved the term of "elegant" our fair cousins applied to it.

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"Saratoff, Russia.

"DEAR SIR,—Will you kindly send me another case of your medicine. I find it has done me a great deal of good. A gentleman friend of mine also wishes to try it. I have written the answers to your questions in his case over leaf.—I remain, yours, &c., "MISS B. G——."

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"Paris.

"DEAR SIR,—Will you kindly send me another box of your medicine. I have now taken it for eight weeks, and *feel a different man*, and have lost 2st. 8lb. in weight, and I have recommended you highly to some of my friends here in consequence.—Yours very truly, "R. J. B——."

"Paris.

"DEAR SIR,—I think I have now, perhaps, a normal weight, and am feeling so much better in every way that, as you requested, I inform you and ask advice. But I certainly wish to continue taking a little at meals in water, and therefore ask you to kindly send me another box. I must tell you that *one of our first doctors in Paris quite agrees with me in using your remedy.* I remain, with grateful thanks, yours very truly, "E. H. L——."

"Havre, France.

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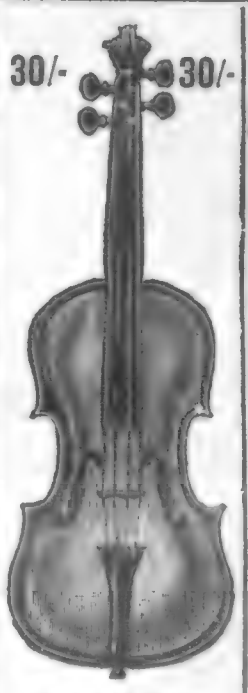
30/-  30/-

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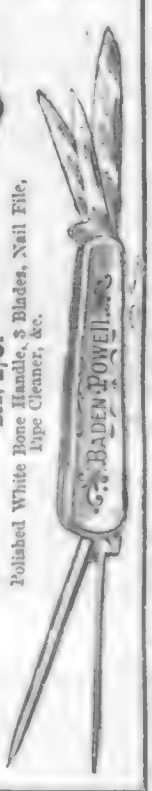

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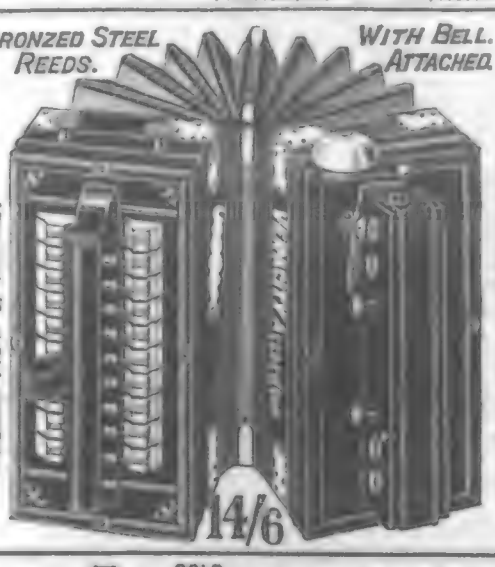

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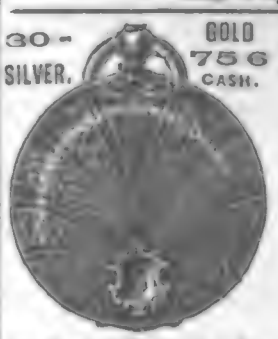

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The Theatres

would be visited, I am persuaded, much more than they are did Managers but vie with each other in freeing their houses from dangerous draughts, and in making them comfortable in every way. As a rule, the comfort of their patrons is the last thing theatrical autocrats think of. The theatre cough is, consequently, not uncommon. Speaking of the playhouse, I can promise you

A Delightful New Comedy at the St. James's

in Mr. H. V. Esmond's three-act play "The Wilderness," produced in the most charming fashion by Mr. George Alexander. It is such a pleasant change from "the other woman" type of play, which has ruled too long at the West End. It is really "the other man" piece this time. Miss Eva Moore (in real life the piquante wife of Mr. Esmond, the successful young author-actor) plays bagatelle with the affections of a young "detrimental" cousin, with whom she is found taking tea clandestinely in Act I. at a fashionable Bond Street tea-shop (such as Mrs. Wilson keeps in the actual Bond Street of to-day), and allows her own heart to be won by the debonair young fellow, but at the same time yields to the worldly counsels of her far-seeing mother and to her own native shrewdness, and determines to marry Sir Harry Milanor for money and position. It is an idyllic woodland scene in which Mabel gives the go-by to her philandering cousin, and accepts the true-hearted Baronet, who idolises her. And the comedy of their married life reaches almost tragic heights when the young wife grows to detest herself for her selfishness, and is on the verge of parting with her husband, till each finds that mutual love is too strong and pure to allow them to sever the tie that binds them. It is a lesson of life, agreeably related; and the sweet little comedy, Robertsonian in many touches, very strong in other parts, is capitally acted by Mr. Alexander and Miss Eva Moore (for whom the lifelike and sparkling part of Mabel was written), Mr. W. Graham Browne, Miss Ive Thiere, Mrs. Edward Saker, handsome Miss Julie Opp, Miss Dora Barton, and little Vivyan Thomas and Phyllis Dare.

Mrs. Langtry's Imperial Theatre,

reconstructed and renovated inside, will scarcely be recognised. The beautiful transformation and the commodiousness reflect the good taste and sound judgment of Mrs. Langtry, who is, according to an interesting interview in this week's *Sketch*, a very good woman of business. I think she must be, considering that this clever lady has not only had to direct the rebuilding and refitting of the Imperial with luxurious bath-room and dressing-room for herself, and a most comfortable auditorium into the bargain, but also to look after her training-stables and "books" for big races, and her Newmarket flower-beds—and *to look nice* as well! Why, it takes many women all their time to attend to the latter point alone—and then they don't succeed. Exercise, exercise, exercise! That is my advice to all my sex who would preserve health and strength, and defy the ravages of age. *Il faut souffrir pour être belle.* A walk and swim in the morning, a fence and ride after breakfast, bike after luncheon, and appetising drive before dinner—that is the way your woman of the world with plenty of money keeps in good condition. But what has this to do with Mrs. Langtry's new Imperial Theatre? you may ask me. Nothing, beyond the fact that she is a beautiful woman who keeps herself in the pink of good condition, and that she sensibly takes every pains to preserve her perennial youthfulness. It is an acceptable change from "The Degenerates," in which she was last seen, to

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MISS EVA MOORE, THE MABEL VAUGHAN IN "THE WILDERNESS," AT THE ST. JAMES'S THEATRE

"A Royal Necklace,"

which revives in glowing colours the old-world times of Queen Marie Antoinette and the Revolutionary period. As you may see by the exquisitely printed costume-portraits of Mrs. Langtry in this week's *Sketch*, the new Manageress of the Imperial, takes two parts—that of Marie Antoinette, round whose stolen necklace the story runs, and also Mdlle. Oliva. The sumptuous dresses are from Paris, and I have no doubt hosts of fair playgoers will visit the Imperial (which adjoins the Westminster Aquarium, and is close to the St. James's Park Station of the Underground Railway) on purpose to scrutinise and admire these lovely dresses alone. "A Royal Necklace," which is by MM. Pierré and Claude Berton, boasts a most romantic plot, and is powerfully cast, Mrs. Langtry's company comprising Miss L. Braithwaite and Mrs. Cecil Raleigh, Miss M. Caldwell and Mr. Tom Terriss, Mr. Edmund Maurice and Mr. Gilbert Farquhar, Mr. Fuller Mellish and Mr. Robert Taber.

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A Few Women Went Out of Mourning

on Easter Sunday. I saw dark red and blue frocks, and coloured flowers on hats and toques, and Courteney's windows in Westbourne Grove were full of charming pink silk underskirts at a guinea and 25s. each. Also there were pink blouses for half evening dress, and white, with black velvet trimmings.

Foulard and Voile

will both be worn this summer, and there are many pretty materials with fancy names. Sateen now looks so like foulard that it is difficult to tell them apart, and alpaca has reappeared in many pretty shades. I saw lately a gown of

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I Have had a Good Many Queries about Food

lately. People seem to think more about what is nourishing and wholesome than they did a few years back. A subscriber writes to know if raisins are "wholesome and nourishing." She has been told that they are. I am glad to be able to answer "Yes" to this query. Dessert raisins are good for food, but care must be taken not to swallow the pips; and, if the skin is eaten, it must be very well masticated. Sultana raisins, which have no pips, and soft skins, are wholesome, and were strongly recommended by the late Sir William Gull as food. Too many milk-puddings and too much meat are not recommended for those who have reached and passed middle life. The human frame requires judicious support. Meat three times a day is not necessary—once is quite enough, with plenty of good fruit, vegetables, brown bread, and milk.

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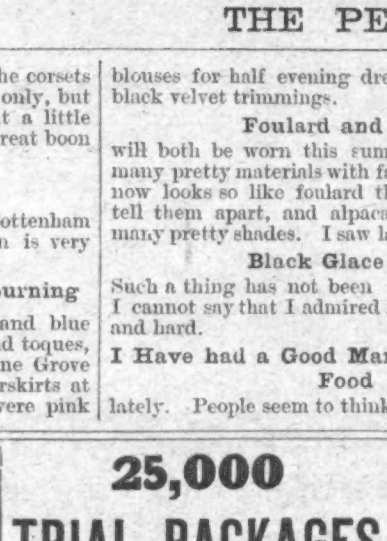

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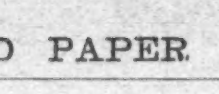

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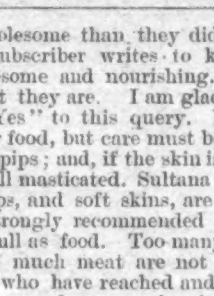

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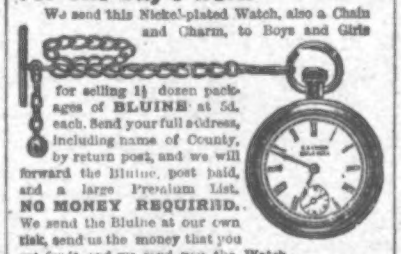

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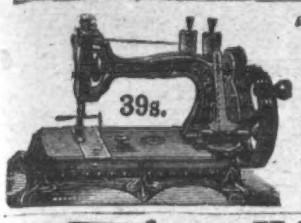

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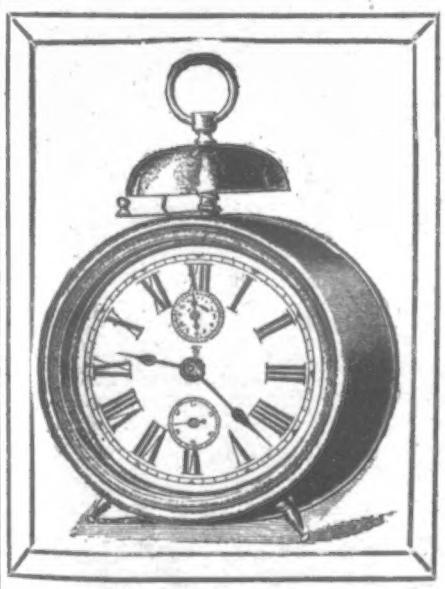

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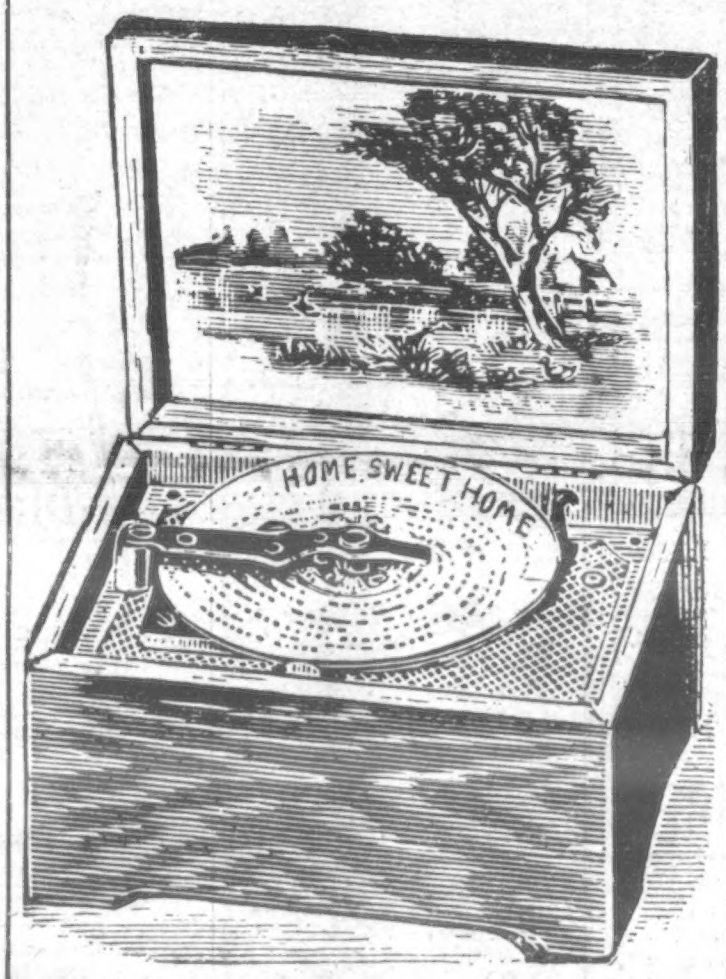

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